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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 428, L.D. 1082, Bill, "An Act to Conform the Statutes with the Amendments to the Rules of Civil Procedure."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 1, the following sections:

'Sec. 2. R.S., T. 14, §1204, amended. The 6th and 7th sentences of section 1204 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes are repealed, as follows:

~~Each party may peremptorily challenge 4 jurors, but in such case all peremptory or other challenges and objections to a juror drawn, if then known, shall be made and determined and the juror sworn or set aside before another name is drawn, and so on until the panel is completed. The right to challenge peremptorily any person called or returned to serve as a juror may be exercised after it has been determined that the person so called or returned stand indifferent.~~

Sec. 3. R.S., T. 14, §1204, amended. The first sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 1204 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 13 of chapter 356 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

Whenever by reason of the prospective length of a civil trial or other civil cause the court in its discretion shall deem it advisable, it may direct that ~~not more than 2~~ jurors in addition to the regular panel be called and impaneled to sit as alternate jurors.

Sec. 4. R.S., T. 14, §1204, amended. The last sentence of section 1204 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 13 of chapter 356 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following sentence enacted in place thereof:

The Supreme Judicial Court shall by rule provide the number of alternate jurors.

Sec. 5. R.S., T. 14, §1302, repealed and replaced. Section 1302 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 14 of chapter 356 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§1302. Peremptory

In addition to challenges otherwise provided, any party to a civil action may peremptorily challenge such number of jurors and alternate jurors in such manner and order as the Supreme Judicial Court shall by rule provide.

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 2 and 3 to be sections 6 and 7.

Reported by the Committee on JUDICIARY.
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