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L.D. 2175
(Filing No. H- 545)

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1649, L.D. 2175,
Bill, "AN ACT to Create the Judicial Employees Labor
Relations Act."

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Amend the bill by striking out all of the emer-
gency preamble (page 1, lines 21 to 33 and page 2,
lines 1 to 4 in L.D.).

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Further amend the bill in that part designated
"§1285." in subsection 4, by striking out all of par-
agraph A (page 9, lines 23 to 25 in L.D.) and insert-
ing in its place the following:

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'A. In addition to the 30-day period referred to
in subsection 3, the parties shall have 15 more
days, making a total of 45 days from the submis-
sion of findings and recommendations, in which to
make a good faith effort to resolve their contro-
versy.'

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Further amend the bill in that part designated
"§1285." in subsection 4, paragraph B, by striking
out all of the first underlined sentence and insert-
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not resolved their controversy by the end of that
45-day period, either party may petition the board to
initiate compulsory final and binding arbitration of
the negotiations' impasse.'

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Further amend the bill in that part designated
"§1285." in subsection 5, by striking out all of par-
agraph A (page 11, lines 25 to 30 in L.D.) and in-
serting in its place the following:

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'A. The parties may agree in advance to a
mediation-arbitration procedure.'

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1649, L.D. 2175

1 Further amend the bill in that part designated
2 "§1285." in subsection 5, paragraph E, in the 6th,
3 7th and 8th lines (page 12, lines 22 to 24 in L.D.)
4 by striking out the underlined words "unless the parties have agreed in advance to binding arbitration of
5 all issues"
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7 Further amend the bill by striking out all of the
8 last paragraph before the statement of fact (page 23,
9 lines 1 to 3 in L.D.)

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STATEMENT OF FACT

11 The purpose of this amendment is to remove the
12 emergency preamble and clause from the Judicial Em-
13 ployees Labor Relations Act bill.

14 The amendment also removes provisions of the
15 original bill that allowed the parties to agree to an
16 arbitration procedure which would result in a binding
17 determination of their controversy on all issues, in-
18 cluding salaries, pensions and insurance. This
19 amendment substitutes the procedures that are in the
20 State Employees Labor Relations Act. The
21 arbitrator's findings and recommendations on these
22 cost items shall be advisory and nonbinding. Deter-
23 minations on other issues shall be binding.

