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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "#" to H.P. 1651, L.D.
2329, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Administration of
Preventable Disease Programs and the Bureau of
Health."

Amend the bill in section 1, in subsection 2, by striking out all of the 2nd paragraph (page 2, lines 1 to 4 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

15 'The Administrative Court shall have original concurrent jurisdiction to grant equitable relief in proceedings initiated by an agency or the Department of the Attorney General alleging any violation of a license of licensing laws or rules.'

Further amend the bill in section 2, in that part designated "<u>§6359</u>." in subsection 1, in paragraph G, in the 3rd line (page 3, line 3 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "<u>universities</u> and" and inserting in their place the following: <u>'universities</u>,' and in the 4th line (page 3, line 4 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word "<u>institutes</u>" the following: 'and schools for the health professions'

Further amend the bill in section 3, in subsection 4, in the 3rd line (page 4, line 31 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word "<u>State</u>" the following: 'and any other health facility in the State as the department, by rule, designates' and in the 7th line (page 4, line 35 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word "<u>hospital</u>" the following: 'or designated health facility'

Further amend the bill in section 3, in subsection 4, by striking out all of the 2nd paragraph
(page 4, lines 41 and 42 in L.D.) and inserting in

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1 its place the following:

2 'For purposes of this subsection, "employee" means a person who performs a service for wages or other remuneration for a hospital or designated health facility under a contract of hire, written or oral, expressed or implied.

7 Immunization required by this subsection does not ap-8 ply to any employee who:

- A. Provides a physician's written statement that
 immunization against one or more of the diseases
 may be medically inadvisable; or
- 12 B. States in writing a sincere religious belief 13 which is contrary to the immunization requirement 14 of this subsection.'

15 Further amend the bill in section 5, in that part designated "<u>§2497.</u>" by striking out in the 12th to 15th lines (page 5, lines 30 to 33 in L.D.) the fol-16 17 lowing: "but no such entry or inspection of any 18 premises shall be made without the permission of the 19 20 owner or person in charge thereof, unless a complaint is first obtained from the District Court" and in-21 22 serting in its place the following: 'but no such entry or inspection of any premises shall be made with-23 out the permission of the owner or person in charge 24 25 thereof, unless a complaint is first obtained from the District Court' 26

Further amend the bill in section 6 by striking out the first 9 lines (page 5, lines 39 and 40 and page 6, lines 1 to 7 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:

31 'Sec. 6. P&SL 1975, c. 90, §H is amended by 32 striking out everthing after the first paragraph, and 33 inserting in its place the following:'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This amendment makes the following changes in the 3 original bill.

4 1. Corrects section 1 of the bill to limit the 5 case of equitable relief to only those proceedings 6 filed by an agency in the Department of the Attorney 7 General. This limited authority is consistent with 8 the intent of the original bill.

9 2. Clarifies the immunization requirement for 10 students in health professions by deleting language 11 from section 3 and inserting language in the defini-12 tion of schools in section 2. The original bill ac-13 tually duplicated the immunization requirement.

14 3. Extends the measels immunization requirement 15 in section 3 of the original legislative document to 16 employees health facilities which are identified by 17 department rule as well as to hospital employees. In 18 addition, it defines employees to avoid any confusion 19 as to who must be immunized and provides an exemption 20 to that requirement for medical or religious reasons.

4. Corrects section 5 by deleting language which required a complaint from the court prior to an inspection. The new language in section 5 was added to accomplish that and the deletion, which this amendment makes, was inadvertently omitted from the original bill.

5. Deletes the part of section 6 which contains the appropriations. The intent of the original bill was to amend the law pertaining to the administration of the cystic fibrosis fund. This amendment only makes the administrative changes and deletes the appropriation section of that law.

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