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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 538, L.D. 722,
Bill, "AN ACT to Establish the Uniform Premarital
Agreement Act."

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Amend the Bill by inserting after that part des-
ignated "§145." the following:

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'§146. Effect of children

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Except as otherwise provided in this section, an
effective premarital agreement is void 18 months af-
ter the parties to the agreement become biological or
adoptive parents or guardians of a minor. The
premarital agreement is not void if, within the
18-month period, the parties sign a written amendment
to the agreement stating that the agreement remains
in effect or altering the agreement. Sections 147
and 148 apply to any amendment under this section.'

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Further amend the Bill in that part designated
"§147." in subsection 2 in the 5th line (page 4,
line 11 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words
"time or" and inserting in their place the following:
'time of' and in the 6th line (page 4, line 12 in
L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "separa-
tion of" and inserting in their place the following:
'separation or'

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Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections
146 to 150 to be sections 147 to 151.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The purpose of this amendment is to recognize
3 that, when children enter into the marriage, circum-
4 stances of the adults often change and an original
5 premarital agreement may no longer be appropriate.
6 The amendment voids a premarital agreement 18 months
7 after the arrival of a child, unless the parties
8 agree within that period, in writing, to keep the
9 agreement in effect or to alter it.

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