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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 95, L.D. 130, Bill, "An Act to Strengthen Penalties for Furnishing Liquor to Minors"

Amend the bill in section 3 by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'3. Penalties. Any person who violates subsection 1, paragraph A or B, commits a Class D crime. Any person who violates subsection 1, paragraph C, commits a Class E crime. In the case of a person who has one previous conviction of a violation of subsection 1, paragraph A or B, within a 6-year period, the fine shall be not less than \$500, which penalty shall not be suspended. In the case of a person who has 2 or more previous convictions of a violation of subsection 1, paragraph A or B, within a 6-year period, the fine shall be not less than \$1000 and the sentence shall include a period of incarceration of not less than 6 months, which penalty shall not be suspended. In the case of a person who has no previous conviction of subsection 1, paragraph A or B, within a 6-year period, the fine shall not be less than \$500, which penalty shall not be suspended if that person is convicted of a violation of subsection 1, paragraph A or B, involving a minor less than 14 years old.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

The amendment changes the penalties for furnishing liquor to a minor. The new penalties are more severe. A first offense carries a mandatory minimum \$500 penalty. A 2nd or subsequent offense carries a mandatory minimum of \$1000 and 6 months in jail. A first offense involving furnishing liquor to a minor under 14 years of age carries a mandatory minimum penalty of \$500.

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