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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 226, L.D. 294, Bill, "An Act Concerning the Structure of the State Court Library Committee and the System of State Law Libraries"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§191." in the first paragraph in the 3rd line from the end (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "4" and inserting in its place the following: '-4- 5'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 4 MRSA §193, as amended by PL 1991, c. 671, Pt. M, §1, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

'Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section or any other provision of law to the contrary, during fiscal year 1993-94 and fiscal year 1994-95, the committee is not required to allocate an equal share for each library within a specific tier.

Sec. 4. Funds for Tier IV libraries. The State Court Library Committee is not required to allocate funds for Tier IV libraries for fiscal year 1993-94 and fiscal year 1994-95. The committee may not reduce the allocation for Tier I, Tier II or Tier III libraries below the level allocated for fiscal year 1992-93 in order to allocate funds for a Tier IV library, unless the County Law Library Committee for that library agrees to a reduced allocation.

Sec. 5. Repeal. Sections 2 and 3 of this Act are repealed July 1, 1995'

FISCAL NOTE

This bill will continue the Tier IV libraries for fiscal

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 226, L.D. 294 year 1993-94 and fiscal year 1994-95, but does not require the State Court Library Committee to allocate funds for these 2 libraries. No additional General Fund appropriations will be 4. required. additional costs to fund the expenses of 6 The the 2 additional members of the State Court Library Committee can be absorbed by the Judicial Department utilizing existing budgeted 8 resources.' 10 STATEMENT OF FACT 12 14 This amendment corrects the number of members of the State Court Library Committee constituting a quorum to reflect the addition of new members. The amendment provides that, for the 16 next 2 fiscal years, the committee is not required to allocate 18 . funds for Tier IV libraries or to allocate an equal share of funding for each library within a specific tier. The amendment also repeals the establishment of Tier IV libraries on July 1, 20 1995. 22

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