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HUMAN RESOURCES

Reported by: The Minority of the Committee.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 669, L.D. 1731, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Mass Gathering Laws"

Amend the bill in section 2 by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting in its place the following:

1. Written application. The Commissioner of Human Services shall issue a permit for a mass outdoor gathering upon receipt of a written application therefor unless, after the consideration of the factors listed in subsection 2, it appears to the commissioner within a reasonable certainty that the gathering will present a grave and imminent danger to the public health or to the public safety. A written application for a mass outdoor gathering permit must be submitted no later than 60 days before the anticipated gathering. The department shall respond within 15 days, citing approval, disapproval or any necessary conditions or terms. An applicant shall resubmit all the necessary information requested by the department no later than 30 days before the anticipated gathering. The department shall approve or disapprove finally an application no later than 15 days before the anticipated gathering.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources. It shortens the time period for submitting a mass gathering permit application and shortens the time periods for response, resubmission and decision.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT