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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 241, L.D. 305, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit the Inhaling of Toxic Vapors for Effect"

Amend the amendment in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2383-C.~~" in subsection 5 by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 2, lines 14 to 16 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'5. Penalties. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture, which may not be suspended except as provided in subsection 6, must be adjudged as follows.'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2383-C.~~" in subsection 6 in the first line (page 2, line 27 in amendment) by striking out the following: "fines" and inserting in its place the following: 'forfeitures'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2383-C.~~" in subsection 6 by inserting at the end the following new sentence: 'If the judge orders the person to perform specified work or to undergo evaluation, education or treatment, the judge may suspend a forfeiture imposed pursuant to subsection 5.'

SUMMARY

This amendment provides that if a person violates the laws regarding the unlawful use or possession of inhalants, the court

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may suspend the forfeiture imposed for a violation of this
provision if the court orders the person to perform specified
public service work or to undergo evaluation, education or
treatment. The amendment also changes the penalty from a "fine"
to a "forfeiture" to reflect the fact that a violation is a civil
offense, not a criminal one.

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