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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 246, L.D. 310, Bill, "An Act to Permit Investigative Officers within the Employ of the Department of Corrections to Exercise the Powers of Law Enforcement Officers"

Amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "§3011." in subsection 1 in the 7th line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "commissioner." the following: 'Investigative officers may not exercise law enforcement powers against other employees of the department.'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "§3011." in subsection 1 in the last line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "department." the following: 'Internal investigations of employees of the department must be conducted pursuant to any applicable collective bargaining agreement.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The additional costs associated with negotiating a working agreement about investigative officers can be absorbed by the Department of Corrections and the Department of the Attorney General utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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**SUMMARY**

This amendment limits the authority of investigative officers by stating that they may not exercise law enforcement powers against other employees of the department. It also states that internal investigations of department employees must be conducted according to any applicable collective bargaining agreement.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**