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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 870, L.D. 1187, Bill, "An Act to Improve the Transition of People with Disabilities from Children's to Adult Services"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§7258." by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'1. Attendance at pupil evaluation team meetings. Annually, representatives from appropriate state service agencies, as determined by the pupil evaluation team of the school administrative unit, and in accordance with special education rules, shall designate a transition contact person to participate in transition planning for students with disabilities. The transition contact person shall attend pupil evaluation team meetings or provide relevant information to the pupil evaluation team for transition planning purposes. This requirement applies to students with disabilities who have attained 16 years of age, or 14 years of age when determined by the pupil evaluation team to be appropriate.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§7258." in subsection 2 in the last line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "adult" and inserting in its place the following: 'state'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§7258." in subsection 3 in the first line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Adult" and inserting in its place the following: 'State'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

R.S.

2 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated
4 "\$7258." in subsection 3 in the last line (page 1, line 27 in
6 L.D.) by striking out the following: "2000" and inserting in its
8 place the following: '1999'

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

10 **FISCAL NOTE**

12 The Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and
14 Substance Abuse Services will incur some minor additional costs
16 to participate in the required transition planning and to comply
with the new budgetary requirements. These costs can be absorbed
within the department's existing budgeted resources.

18 The Department of Labor will incur some minor additional
20 costs to comply with certain budgetary requirements. These costs
22 can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted
resources.'

24 **SUMMARY**

26 This amendment clarifies the role of representatives of
28 appropriate state service agencies participating in transition
30 planning with pupil evaluation teams. The amendment corrects
32 several references and changes the date to June 30, 1999, at
which time the state service agencies must show evidence of
having used the data compiled in accordance with the bill to
develop their budget requests.

34 The amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.