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118TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1212, L.D. 1712, Bill, "An Act to Create a Citizen Panel on Deregulation"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2611.~~" by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 1, lines 17 to 24 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Membership. The panel consists of the following 10 public members: Two members appointed by the Governor; 2 appointed by the President of the Senate; 2 appointed by the Speaker of the House; 2 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and 2 appointed by the minority leader of the House. Of the members selected, no more than 4 may be enrolled in the same political party.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2611.~~" in subsection 4 in the first and 2nd lines (page 1, lines 37 and 38 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Except for the legislative members, a" and inserting in its place the following: 'A'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§2611.~~" in subsection 6 in the 6th line (page 2, line 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "least 3 members is" and inserting in its place the following: 'least 6 members is' and in the 7th line (page 2, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "least 3 members is" and inserting in its place the following: 'least 6 members is'

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

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'Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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8 Citizen Panel on Deregulation

10 All Other \$5,000 \$5,500

12 Provides funds for the
14 expenses of members, public
16 hearing expenses and
18 miscellaneous costs of the
Citizen Panel on
Deregulation.'

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

22 FISCAL NOTE

24 1997-98 1998-99

26 APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

28 General Fund \$5,000 \$5,500

30 The Legislature will require additional General Fund
32 appropriations of \$5,000 and \$5,500 in fiscal years 1997-98 and
34 1998-99, respectively, for the expenses of members, public
36 hearing expenses and miscellaneous costs of the Citizen Panel on
38 Deregulation. The additional costs associated with providing
staff assistance to the panel during any interim between sessions
can be absorbed by the Legislature utilizing existing budgeted
resources. If the panel requests staffing assistance during
legislative sessions, the Legislature may require additional
General Fund appropriations for contracted staff services.'

42 SUMMARY

44 The amendment expands the membership of the panel from 5
46 members to 10 members. All members are public members. The
Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House,
48 the minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the
House shall each appoint 2 members. Of the members selected, no
more than 4 may be enrolled in the same political party.

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2 The amendment also adds an appropriations section and a fiscal note to the bill.

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