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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1133, L.D. 1592, Bill, "An Act to Encourage Joint Custody Practices"

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in paragraph D in subparagraph (1) in the last line (page 3, line 14 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "parents" the following: 'as provided in paragraph B'

Further amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in paragraph D in subparagraph (6) in the last line (page 3, line 42 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "responsibilities;" the following: 'and'

Further amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in paragraph D in subparagraph (7) in the last line (page 3, line 47 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "care; and" and inserting in its place the following: 'care.'

Further amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in paragraph D by striking out all of subparagraph (8) (page 3, lines 49 and 50 and page 4, lines 1 to 3 in L.D.)

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

FISCAL NOTE

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This bill may significantly increase the court time required
4 for divorce and custody cases, which are heard by the family
division of the District Court. In order to avoid an increase in
6 the backlog of cases, additional General Fund appropriations will
be required for additional staff and related expenses. The
8 amounts can not be determined at this time and will depend on the
additional court time required for divorce and custody cases.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment is the minority report of the committee.

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This amendment inserts a cross-reference to the paragraph
under which the court establishes the primary residence of a
18 child.

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This amendment also deletes proposed language concerning the
stipulation as to who may be designated as the public assistance
22 recipient.

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This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.