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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1044, L.D. 1401, Bill, "An
Act to Amend the Health Care Facility Immunization Laws"

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Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 4-B by inserting
after paragraph B the following:

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'C. An exemption is available to an individual who declines
hepatitis B vaccine, as provided for by the relevant law and
regulations of the federal Department of Labor, Occupational
Health and Safety Administration.'

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Further amend the bill in section 3 in the last line (page
1, line 45 in L.D.) by inserting after the following:
"subchapter II-A." the following: 'Rules adopted pursuant to
this Act must be consistent with the requirements of the federal
Department of Labor, Occupational Health and Safety
Administration.'

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

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FISCAL NOTE

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The Bureau of Health within the Department of Human Services
will incur some minor additional costs to adopt rules amending
the law regarding immunization requirements for health care
workers that are consistent with the requirements of the federal

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2 Department of Labor, Occupational Health and Safety
Administration. These costs can be absorbed within the bureau's
existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

8 This amendment adds an exemption from immunization
10 requirements for health care workers for persons who decline
hepatitis B vaccinations, as provided in federal Department of
12 Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, OSHA, law
and regulations. It requires rules adopted by the Department of
Human Services to be consistent with OSHA requirements. The
14 amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT