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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 913, L.D. 1315, Bill, "An Act To Permit Recording Proceedings of the Legislature"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the first paragraph after the title (page 1, lines 22 to 30 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Amend the bill in section 3 by striking out all of subsection 20 (page 1, lines 28 to 33 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'20. Recording of legislative proceedings. To equip the chambers with cameras and recording equipment to make a visual and audio record of legislative sessions of the Senate and House of Representatives. Use of the cameras and recording equipment in each chamber is subject to the rules of that chamber. The records, stored electronically, must be maintained by the Law and Legislative Reference Library and made available to the public. The Legislative Council also may use the cameras and recording equipment to provide Internet broadcasts of legislative sessions, subject to the rules of each chamber being broadcast. The Legislative Council shall determine copyright and procedures for the recording, broadcast, rebroadcast and redistribution of legislative sessions, including prohibitions against use for political statements as prescribed in Title 21-A, section 1004, subsection 5.'

SENATE AMENDMENT

2 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the 4th
4 indented paragraph after the title (page 1, lines 42 to 44 in
amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

6 'The Legislative Council may equip the legislative chambers
8 with cameras and recording equipment and, subject to the rules of
10 the Senate and the rules of the House of Representatives,
commence recording or broadcasting legislative proceedings of the
Senate and the House as sufficient funds become available in the
fund.'

SUMMARY

14 This amendment allows the Legislative Council to equip the
16 chambers of the Senate and House of Representatives with cameras
18 and recording equipment but authorizes the use within each
chamber only when in conformity with the rules of that chamber.

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