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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 147, L.D. 379, Bill, "An Act To Create the Sex Offender Management and Risk Assessment Advisory Commission"

Amend the bill in section 4 in §11401 by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 1, lines 17 to 23 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'The Sex Offender Management and Risk Assessment Advisory Commission, referred to in this chapter as "the commission," established by Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 4-C, is created for the purpose of making recommendations pertaining to sex offender management and risk assessment. For purposes of this chapter, "sex offender" has the same meaning as "offender" in section 11273, subsection 10. For purposes of this chapter, "registrant" has the same meaning as in section 11273, subsection 11.'

Amend the bill in section 4 in §11403 by striking out all of subsection 1 (page 1, line 34 and page 2, lines 1 to 11 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'1. Consultation. The commission shall consult with experts in the field of sex offender matters, including but not limited to state or federal agencies, courts, correctional facilities, organizations whose affairs pertain to sex offender matters and other interested parties as the commission determines necessary.'

Amend the bill in section 5 in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 2, lines 33 and 34 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "in every way to the powers, duties and functions of" and inserting the following: 'to'

SUMMARY

This amendment removes from the bill the duty of the Sex Offender Management and Risk Assessment Advisory Commission to conduct a continuing study of methods that may be used to predict the risk of recidivism and to develop a risk assessment method to be used for that purpose. The amendment also removes from the bill the duty to evaluate the plausibility, implementation and application of sex offender risk assessments. The amendment clarifies that the commission is the successor to the Sex Offender Risk

- 1 Assessment Advisory Commission but is not the successor in every way to the powers,
- 2 duties and functions of that commission.