

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 695, Page 5, Section 8.017, Line 10, by
2 inserting after all of said section and line the following:
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4 "21.790. 1. There is hereby established a joint committee of the general assembly, which
5 shall be known as the "Joint Committee on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment". The
6 committee shall be composed of six members from the house of representatives, six members from
7 the senate, and four members appointed by the governor. The senate members of the committee
8 shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and the house members by the speaker
9 of the house of representatives. There shall be at least two members from the minority party of the
10 senate and at least two members from the minority party of the house of representatives. The
11 members appointed by the governor shall include one member from the health care industry, one
12 member who is a first responder or law enforcement officer, one member who is a member of the
13 judiciary or a prosecuting attorney, and one member representing a substance abuse prevention
14 advocacy group.

15 2. The committee shall select a chairperson and a vice-chairperson, one of whom shall be a
16 member of the senate and one a member of the house of representatives. A majority of the
17 members shall constitute a quorum. The committee shall meet at least once during each legislative
18 session and at all other times as the chairperson may designate.

19 3. The committee shall:

20 (1) Conduct hearings on current and estimated future drug and substance use and abuse
21 within the state;

22 (2) Explore solutions to substance abuse issues; and

23 (3) Draft or modify legislation as necessary to effectuate the goals of finding and funding
24 education and treatment solutions to curb drug and substance use and abuse.

25 4. The committee shall report annually to the general assembly and the governor. The
26 report shall include recommendations for legislation pertaining to substance abuse prevention and
27 treatment."; and

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29 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
30 accordingly.

Action Taken _____ Date _____