

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Bill No. 2167, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting after said section and line
2 the following:

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4 "21.158. The general assembly, the house, or the senate may employ legislative security
5 officers of the house or senate who may carry firearms when necessary for the proper discharge
6 of their duties. Such legislative security officers, who shall be licensed peace officers under the
7 peace officer standards and training program (POST), shall have all powers granted to law
8 enforcement officers in this state that are necessary to ensure the proper security and functioning
9 of the general assembly, including the power to apprehend and arrest persons."; and

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11 Further amend said bill, Page 2, Section 27.020, Line 45, by inserting after said section and line
12 the following:

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14 "Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to ensure safety within the capitol
15 building during the current legislative session and thereafter, the enactment of section 21.158 of
16 section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health,
17 welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of
18 the constitution, and the enactment of section 21.158 of section A of this act shall be in full force
19 and effect upon its passage and approval."; and

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

Action Taken _____ Date _____