

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 23, 2014
Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB14-1303 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Legislative Council with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 2, line 4, strike "**definitions.**" and
2 substitute "**report - definitions.**".

3 Page 3, after line 3 insert:

4 "(V) AFTER THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION
5 OF THE SEVENTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BUT PRIOR TO AUGUST 1, 2016,
6 THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHALL SUBMIT
7 TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A REPORT CONTAINING THE
8 FOLLOWING INFORMATION PERTAINING TO REMOTE TESTIMONY TAKEN
9 PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (g):

10 (A) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO TESTIFIED REMOTELY;

11 (B) THE LOCATIONS OF THE SITES FROM WHICH SUCH PERSONS
12 TESTIFIED;

13 (C) THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF HEARINGS AT WHICH REMOTE
14 TESTIMONY WAS ACCEPTED;

15 (D) THE ESTIMATED CALCULATION OF TRAVEL MILES SAVED BY
16 ALLOWING PERSONS TO TESTIFY REMOTELY;

17 (E) THE COST TO IMPLEMENT THE REMOTE TESTIMONY PROCESS;

18 (F) THE TECHNOLOGICAL OR OTHER ISSUES, IF ANY, THAT AROSE;

19 (G) IDENTIFICATION OF OTHER SUITABLE SITES FROM WHICH
20 REMOTE TESTIMONY CAN BE TAKEN, IN A MANNER THAT ENSURES THAT
21 ADEQUATE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF SITES IS ACHIEVED;

22 (H) ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE DIRECTOR BELIEVES

- 1 WOULD IMPROVE THE TAKING OF REMOTE TESTIMONY; AND
- 2 (I) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE DIRECTOR BELIEVES
- 3 RELEVANT OR USEFUL."

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