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BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 360 (Third Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in line 3, after "of" insert "<u>establishing a certain minimum amount of</u> <u>money that is subject to forfeiture in connection with a controlled dangerous substance</u> <u>violation:</u>"; and in line 13, after "exception;" insert "<u>providing that if the owner of seized</u> <u>property is not charged with a violation of a certain law in connection with the seizure</u> <u>of the property within a certain amount of time, the property shall be immediately</u> <u>returned to the owner;</u>".

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with "requiring" in line 17 on page 1 down through "<u>Act</u>;" in line 16 on page 2; in line 20, after "12-103(a)," insert "<u>12-301</u>,"; strike line 25 in its entirety; and after line 25, insert:

"<u>Section 12-212</u>".

On page 3, in line 9, after "money" insert "OF MORE THAN \$300".

On page 4, in line 10, strike "**12-211.**" and substitute "<u>**12-212.**</u>"; and after line 24, insert:

"<u>12–301.</u>

(A) Except as provided in § 12-304(c) of this subtitle, if property is seized under § 12-202(a)(2)(iv) and (v) of this title because there is probable cause to believe that the property is directly or indirectly dangerous to health or safety and that the property was or will be used to violate this title, forfeiture proceedings under this subtitle shall be filed promptly.

(Over)

(B) IF THE OWNER OF SEIZED PROPERTY IS NOT CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION OF THE CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES LAW IN CONNECTION WITH THE SEIZURE OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN 180 DAYS, THE PROPERTY SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO THE OWNER.".

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On pages 5 through 9, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 11 on page 5 through line 14 on page 9, inclusive.

On page 9, in line 15, strike "<u>3.</u>" and substitute "<u>2.</u>"; and strike beginning with "<u>Section</u>" in line 16 down through "<u>effect.</u>" in line 18.