BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 733

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, strike "a"; in the same line, strike "organization" and substitute "organizations"; in line 5, after "date;" insert "providing for certain exceptions;"; and in line 10, after "program;" insert "requiring the Governor to provide certain funds in the Department's annual budget;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, strike beginning with the first "COUNCIL" in line 21 down through "EDUCATION" in line 22 and substitute "ACCREDITATION" MEANS TEACHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION BY AN ACCREDITING AGENCY RECOGNIZED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND ENDORSED BY THE DEPARTMENT"; in line 23, after "(B)" insert "(1)"; and strike beginning with "IS" in line 25 down through "COUNCIL" in line 26 and substitute "HAS RECEIVED:

(I) NATIONAL ACCREDITATION; OR

(II) A WAIVER UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(2) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT MAY GRANT A WAIVER FROM THE NATIONAL ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS TO:

(I) ANY LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE WITH A FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT OF NOT MORE THAN 2,000 STUDENTS; AND

(II) ANY NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS SPECIALIZING IN MUSIC OR ART".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 4, after "SEEK" insert "NATIONAL"; strike beginning with "BY" in line 4 down through "OR" in line 5 and substitute a semicolon; strike beginning with "IS" in line 6 down through "COUNCIL." in line 7 and substitute "HAS NATIONAL ACCREDITATION; OR

(III) HAVE RECEIVED A WAIVER UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(2) OF THIS SECTION.";

in line 10, strike "THE NATIONAL COUNCIL" and substitute "<u>A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ACCREDITING AGENCY</u>"; in line 12, strike "THE NATIONAL COUNCIL" and substitute "<u>ACCREDITING AGENCIES</u>"; in lines 19, 22, and 28, in each instance, strike "THE NATIONAL COUNCIL" and substitute "<u>AN ACCREDITING AGENCY</u>"; and after line 30, insert:

"(F) THE GOVERNOR SHALL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS IN THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE ADDITIONAL COSTS INCURRED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SECTION.".