BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 222 (Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after "credit;" insert "<u>requiring the Spending Affordability Committee to</u> include a certain recommendation in a certain report;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 23 and 25, strike " $\underline{15\%}$ " and " $\underline{17.5\%}$ ", respectively, and substitute " $\underline{16\%}$ " and " $\underline{16\%}$ ", respectively; in line 26, strike "<u>AND</u>"; after line 26, insert:

"<u>3.</u> <u>18% FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER</u> DECEMBER 31, 2002 BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2004; AND";

in line 27, strike "3." and substitute "4."; and in line 28, strike "2002" and substitute "2003".

On page 3, in lines 18 and 20, strike "<u>3</u>" and "<u>3.5</u>", respectively, and substitute "<u>3.2</u>" and "<u>3.2</u>", respectively; in line 21, strike "<u>AND</u>"; after line 21, insert:

"<u>3.</u> <u>3.6 FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER</u> DECEMBER 31, 2002 BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2004; AND";

in line 22, strike "3." and substitute "4."; and in line 23, strike "2002" and substitute "2003".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 35, insert:

"<u>SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED</u>, That the Spending Affordability Committee shall include a recommendation in its final report of the 2002 interim as to the fiscal prudence of accelerating the phased-in increase of the earned income credit refund enacted under this

(Over)

<u>Act.</u>";

and in line 36, strike "2." and substitute "3.".