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From: General Government Subcommittee

Ways and Means Full Committee

HB 2262 Relating to the Employment Relations Board Re:

Representative Smith: "HB 2262 makes a variety of technical changes to clarify and modernize statute related to the Employment Relations Board.

Beginning in the 2013-15 biennium, at behest of the Legislature, ERB undertook a number of changes to improve its processes and procedures, including establishing timelines for issuing orders; identifying specific types of contested cases for expedited processing; involving stakeholders in a review of the Board's processes and procedures; establishing a Rules Advisory Committee; completing an independent review of some recent Board orders; and involving stakeholders in a discussion of complaint or other actions that lack legal merit. The result has been an elimination of all case backlogs and a substantial improvement in the timelines for processing cases. The Board also reviewed and updated its key performance measures. HB 2262 is the final work product arising from this effort.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends HB 2262 be amended by the -2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended."