

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 17, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 courts and court officers.
- 4 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 5 SECTION 1. IC 33-24-11-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The Indiana
- 7 child custody and support advisory committee is established. The
- 8 committee consists of ~~twelve (12)~~ **fourteen (14)** members as follows:
- 9 (1) One (1) judge, ~~or~~ magistrate, **or commissioner** whose
- 10 jurisdiction and caseload includes domestic relations.
- 11 (2) One (1) attorney admitted to the practice of law in Indiana
- 12 who conducts at least fifty percent (50%) of the attorney's practice
- 13 in the area of domestic relations.
- 14 (3) Eight (8) members of the general assembly, with the members
- 15 chosen from the standing committees that consider child custody
- 16 and support matters.
- 17 (4) A custodial parent.
- 18 (5) A noncustodial parent.
- 19 **(6) The director of the child support bureau of the department**
- 20 **of child services.**
- 21 **(7) A person designated by the Indiana prosecuting attorneys**

1 **council.**

2 (b) The appointments under subsection (a)(3) must include the
3 following:

4 (1) Four (4) members from the senate, with not more than two (2)
5 from the same political party and not more than two (2) of the
6 same gender.

7 (2) Four (4) members from the house of representatives, with not
8 more than two (2) from the same political party and not more than
9 two (2) of the same gender.

10 (c) Appointments of the committee members shall be made as
11 follows:

12 (1) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint the
13 members under subsection (a)(1) and (a)(4) and the four (4)
14 members from the house of representatives under subsection
15 (a)(3).

16 (2) The president pro tempore of the senate shall appoint the
17 members under subsection (a)(2) and (a)(5) and the four (4)
18 members from the senate under subsection (a)(3).

19 (d) The members appointed under subsection (a)(1) and (a)(2) must
20 be of opposite gender.

21 (e) The members appointed under subsection (a)(4) and (a)(5) must
22 be of opposite gender.

23 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

(Reference is to SB 17 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

Senator Bray, Chairperson