

HOUSE BILL NO. 514

INTRODUCED BY SPAETH

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE HOUSE

January 26, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Labor and Employment Relations.
February 10, 1983	Committee recommend bill do not pass. Report adopted.
February 11, 1983	Objection to adverse committee report. Bill placed on second reading.
February 12, 1983	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 14, 1983	Second reading, do pass.
February 15, 1983	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 16, 1983	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

February 17, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 12, 1983	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 15, 1983	Second reading, concurred in.
March 17, 1983	Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 44; Noes, 4.

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March 17, 1983

Returned to House.

March 18, 1983

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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