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2 *FULLS HOUSE BILL NO. 607*

3 *INTRODUCED BY GRINDEY Peter Burr Barnett Rick*
4 *Miller Emerson Sliter Kevin Curran Bishop Holden Keating*

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9 *W Ryan Menahan B Barnhart D Queen Roney*
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