**An Act Regarding the Outdoor Release or Abandonment of Balloons**

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SENATE AMENDMENT “      ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 761, L.D. 1023, “An Act Regarding the Outdoor Release or Abandonment of Balloons”

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 1 in the first 2 lines (page 2, lines 8 and 9 in amendment) by striking out the following: "**; intentional release of 10 or fewer balloons**" and inserting the following: '**; intentional release of 16 to 24 balloons**'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 1 in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 2, lines 9 and 10 in amendment) by striking out the following: "intentionally releases 10 or fewer balloons at one time in violation of this chapter or who" and inserting the following: 'intentionally releases 16 to 24 balloons at one time in violation of this chapter or who'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 1-A in the 2nd line (page 2, line 14 in amendment) by striking out the following: "**10 or fewer**" and inserting the following: '**16 to 24**'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 2 in the first 2 lines (page 2, lines 17 and 18 in amendment) by striking out the following: "**; intentional release of more than 10 balloons**" and inserting the following: '**; intentional release of more than 24 balloons**'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 2 in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 2, lines 18 and 19 in amendment) by striking out the following: "intentionally releases more than 10 balloons at one time in violation of this chapter or who" and inserting the following: 'intentionally releases more than 24 balloons at one time in violation of this chapter or who'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §2264-A in subsection 2-A in the 2nd line (page 3, line 2 in amendment) by striking out the following: "**10**" and inserting the following: '**24**'

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment changes the number of balloons released that constitutes a civil violation. For the intentional release of 16 to 24 balloons, it imposes a fine for a first offense of not less than $100 and not more than $500. For the intentional release of more than 24 balloons, it imposes a fine for a first offense of not less than $500.

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**(Senator BENNETT, R.)**

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