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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1212, L.D. 1697, Bill, “An Act Regarding the Timeliness of Payments to the State”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §131 by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 1, lines 19 to 29 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

2. Certain payments not immediate. Notwithstanding subsection 1, payments from a department or agency of the State made to the State Treasury through the use of automated procedures, electronic processes and computer-driven technology must be deposited in the State Treasury in accordance with the requirements established in rules adopted by the Treasurer of State and the State Controller. The Treasurer of State and the State Controller shall adopt rules to implement this subsection, including rules outlining procedures for the use of automated procedures, electronic processes and computer-driven technology for the collection of these payments pursuant to this subsection. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection may not waive prohibitions against deductions on account of salaries, fees, costs, charges, expenses, refunds, claims or demands of any description whatsoever. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules as defined by section 8071.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the bill applies to payments from departments and agencies of the State to the State Treasury. It removes the 3-day requirement for payments and directs the Treasurer of State and the State Controller to adopt major substantive rules to implement the legislation, including rules outlining procedures for the use of automated procedures, electronic processes and computer-driven technology.