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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to S.P. 296, L.D. 1017, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Elimination of Highly Toxic and Hazardous Chemicals in the Workplace"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Direct the Department of Labor To Develop a Framework for Encouraging Employers To Identify Safer Alternatives to Hazardous Chemicals'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Development of framework for safer alternatives to hazardous chemicals. Resolved: That the Department of Labor shall, in collaboration with interested parties and employers and employees in industries that are likely to utilize hazardous chemicals, develop a framework for identifying hazardous chemicals used in the workplace and identify safer alternatives to those hazardous chemicals. The department shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing by December 20, 2019 that includes a proposed framework, a list of participants who participated in developing the proposed framework and a summary of the process used to develop the framework. The committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature based on the report.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and replaces the title. It requires the Department of Labor to develop a framework for identifying hazardous chemicals used in the workplace and identifying safer alternatives to those chemicals in collaboration with interested parties and employers and employees in industries that are likely to utilize hazardous chemicals. The amendment requires the department to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing by December 20, 2019 that includes a proposed framework, summarizes the process used to develop the framework and

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1 includes a list of the participants who participated in the process. It authorizes the
2 committee to report out a bill based on the report.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)