

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading BY REPRESENTATIVES Weissman and Soper

1 Amend reengrossed bill page 2 after line 24, insert:

2 "(2) The general assembly further finds and declares that:

3 (a) A trial by a jury of one's peers in both civil and criminal cases
4 has historically been part of the American legal system's promise of
5 impartial justice, but in Colorado's history, not all citizens have been able
6 equally to serve on juries due to race, ethnicity, or gender;

7 (b) Racial disparities in jury pools have given some Americans
8 reason to fear the outcomes of jury trials; and

9 (c) Although access to jury service is more equitable than in our
10 past, concerns remain in the present day about neutral application of
11 common law or statutory law concerning the exclusion of certain
12 potential jurors from juries."

13 Page 3, strike lines 13 through 15, and substitute:

14 "(3) ON JURY APPRECIATION DAY, EACH STATE AGENCY SHALL
15 REMAIN STAFFED AT A MINIMUM LEVEL TO CONDUCT THE USUAL
16 OPERATIONS OF THE AGENCY."

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