
APPENDIX C

AMENDMENT SAMPLES

I. SAMPLE COMMITTEE REPORT

Amend printed (or reengrossed) bill, page 1, line 8, strike "commission who shall provide for the issuance of" and substitute "~~commission who shall provide for the issuance of~~ SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO SHALL ISSUE".

Page 2, after line 10, insert the following:

"(4) THIS IS AN ENTIRE SUBSECTION INSERTED AFTER A LINE.";

line 13, strike "(4)" and substitute "(5)".

Page 3, line 3, after "TWENTY", insert "DOLLARS, THE";

line 4, strike "OR LESS THAN THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS. THE";

line 14, after the period, add "THIS IS AN ENTIRE SENTENCE ADDED AT THE END OF THE LAST LINE OF A PARAGRAPH.";

line 15, strike everything after "BUT";

line 17, strike "NINE";

line 19, after the period, insert "THIS IS ONE OR MORE SENTENCES INSERTED ON A LINE BETWEEN TWO SENTENCES.".

Page 9, line 7, strike "or counties," and substitute "~~or counties,~~";

line 10, strike "~~annually~~ SEMIANNUALLY" and substitute "annually".

Page 11, line 18, strike "ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE,";

strike lines 19 through 26 and substitute the following:

"THIS IS A SUBSTITUTION FOR SEVERAL LINES OF A BILL.".

Page 15, line 7, after "(1) (b),", insert "(2) (b) (I) (C),";

line 12, strike everything after the period;
strike lines 13 and 14;

line 15, strike everything through the period.

Page 19, strike lines 4 through 13.

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 19, line 17, strike "TEN".

Page 21, strike lines 6 through 15.

Renumber succeeding C.R.S. sections accordingly.

Page 21, line 23, before "COUNTIES", insert "CITIES OR".

Page 23, strike lines 7 through 17.

Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

Page 23, line 21, after "ANY", insert "REASONABLE" and, before the period, insert "ONLY".

Strike page 27.

Strike pages 29 through 36.

Page 37, strike lines 1 through 3.

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 38, before line 1, insert the following:

"SECTION 25. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000."

Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

Page 1, line 102, strike "NUMBERS" and substitute "LETTERS".

II. AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE REPORTS

Procedurally in the Senate, a committee amendment is adopted by the Committee of the Whole, and then it is amended.

Procedurally in the House, a committee amendment is offered, amended, and then adopted by the Committee of the Whole. A committee report *cannot* be amended once it has been adopted on the floor.

A. To Amend a Committee of Reference Amendment

Amend the Judiciary Committee Report, dated January 13, 2000, page 1, line 25, strike "ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE" and substitute "SIXTY";

line 26, strike "ONE HUNDRED";

line 27, strike "TWENTY-FIVE" and substitute "SIXTY".

Page 2, line 7, strike "one hundred";

line 8, strike "twenty-five" and substitute "~~one hundred twenty-five~~ SIXTY".

B. To Strike a Committee of Reference Amendment

NOTE: When striking more than one committee amendment, strike the most recent amendment first.

To strike a committee report in the House, the sponsor must offer the amendment striking the report before the committee report is adopted on the floor; once adopted, the report is considered a settled question and cannot be amended or stricken.

Strike the Finance Committee Report, dated January 14, 2000, and substitute the following:

"Amend printed bill, page 1, line 5, strike "TEN" and substitute "FIVE".".

III. AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSED COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments to proposed committee amendments are prepared in the same manner for either house and are drafted for debate while the bill is in committee. The purpose of this type of amendment is to provide committee members a means by which to debate various aspects of long, complicated proposed committee amendments by presenting alternatives to the language provided in the proposed amendment. If the proposed committee amendment is several pages long, the drafter should always include "of the proposed committee amendment" after each page number so as to remind the reader that the proposed committee amendment is what is being amended rather than the bill. Use this approach when amending both the proposed committee amendment and the bill.

Amend proposed committee amendment, (SB 005_L.004), page 5, line 13, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD".

Page 6 of proposed committee amendment, line 3, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD";

line 7, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD";

line 18, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD";

line 22, strike "DIRECTOR" and substitute "BOARD".

Page 8 of proposed committee amendment, line 4, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD";

line 15, strike "director" and substitute "~~director~~ BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS".

Page 9 of proposed committee amendment, line 4, strike "director" and substitute "director BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS".

Amend proposed committee amendment, (HB1011_L.012), page 1, line 14, strike "commissioner," and substitute "~~commissioner~~ DIRECTOR,".

Page 3, strike lines 3 through 15, and substitute the following:

"(c) NEW LANGUAGE ADDED HERE.";

line 17, strike "commissioner," and substitute "~~commissioner~~ DIRECTOR,".

Amend proposed committee amendment, (HB1013_L.015), page 2, after line 16, insert the following:

"Page 20 of printed bill, line 3, strike "FIVE" and substitute "SEVEN";

line 11, strike "FIVE" and substitute "SEVEN".";

strike line 21 of proposed committee amendment and substitute "YEARS.".";

line 23 of proposed committee amendment, after "commissioner", insert "OF INSURANCE".

Page 3 of proposed committee amendment, after line 2, insert the following:

"Page 21 of printed bill, after line 5, insert the following:

"**SECTION 5. Effective date - applicability.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2002, and shall apply to offenses committed on or after said date.".

Re-number succeeding sections accordingly.".

IV. AMENDMENTS TO ANOTHER AMENDMENT

In an amendment to another amendment, such as a floor amendment to a committee report, always include a reference to the document being amended each time a page number or line number is given.

Amend the Health and Human Services Committee Report, dated January 30, 2007, page 2, after line 2, insert the following:

"Page 2 of the printed bill, line 2, strike "appropriate";";

line 3 of the committee report, strike "Page 6,";

line 14, after "beyond the", insert "scope of athletic training or beyond the";

after line 16, insert the following:

"Page 2 of the printed bill, line 13, strike "types of injuries and illnesses";

strike line 14.

Page 3, line 27, strike "shall receive".

Page 4, strike line 1;

line 2, strike "(13), C.R.S., and".

V. STRIKING A PREVIOUS FLOOR AMENDMENT - IN THE SENATE ONLY

A previous floor amendment may be stricken in the Senate *only* if the bill has *not* been adopted by the Senate on second or third reading. A House floor amendment is considered a settled question once it is adopted and, as with House committee of reference reports, cannot be amended or stricken once it is adopted. To strike a House floor amendment, the amendment to strike it would have to be offered before the floor amendment at issue was adopted and would follow the format of the first example.

A. To Strike a Previous Floor Amendment

Strike the Brown floor amendment, (SB100_L.002), and substitute the following:

"Amend printed bill, page 3, line 9, after "only", insert "OR UPON APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR".

B. To Strike a Previous Floor Amendment for a Bill, as Amended, That Was Laid over to the next Day in the Senate and Was Not Adopted on Second or Third Reading

Strike the Brown amendment, No. 8 (L.030), as printed in Senate Journal, January 26, page 64, lines 51 through 56, and page 65, lines 1 through 12.

Amend printed bill, page 2, line 12, after the comma, insert "WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS".

Strike the Brown amendment, No. 9 (L.032), as printed in Senate Journal, February 23, page 264, lines 51 through 56, and page 265, lines 1 through 12, and substitute the following:

"Amend printed bill, page 2, line 12, after the comma, insert "WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS".

VI. VARIOUS FLOOR AMENDMENTS TO BILLS OR CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Amend printed bill, page 1, line 12, after the period, add "ANY MUNICIPALITY OR GROUP OF MUNICIPALITIES MAY, IN LIEU OF ESTABLISHING SUCH A PLAN OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, JOIN IN A PLAN ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED UNDER THIS ARTICLE."

Amend printed concurrent resolution, page 2, line 7, strike "~~or counties,~~" and substitute "or counties,".

Amend revised bill, page 1, line 7, strike "COMMISSIONED AND NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS,";

line 19, after "salaries,", insert "FEES,".

Page 2, line 12, strike "ANNUALLY" and substitute "SEMIANNUALLY";

line 15, strike "ANNUALLY" and substitute "SEMIANNUALLY";

line 16, strike everything after "ANNUALLY";

line 17, strike everything before "SALARIES";

line 18, strike "fees. The" and substitute "fees; EXCEPT THAT the".

VII. AMENDING A FLOOR AMENDMENT

House floor amendments can only be amended before adoption. Senate floor amendments can be amended after adoption but before the bill is adopted.

Amend proposed Smith floor amendment, (HB 1131_L.005), page 2, line 15,

VIII. STRIKE EVERYTHING BELOW THE ENACTING CLAUSE (SEBEC)

Any amendment to the title of the bill is made after the amendments to the body of the bill. When writing a SEBEC amendment, *do not* specify page or line numbers.

Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Repeal. Article 1 of title 18, Colorado Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety."

Page 1, line 102, strike "PENALTIES".

IX. RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS

Concurrent resolutions are amended in the same manner as bills. Refer to section VI. of this Appendix C above.

A. All Resolutions and Memorials Being Amended in the House of Origin

The House and Senate print all resolutions and memorials like bills. All amendments should be written to the printed version.

Amend printed resolution (or memorial), page 1, line 10, strike "expeditiously; and" and substitute "expeditiously as possible; and".

Amend printed joint memorial (or joint resolution), page 3, strike line 4 and substitute the following:

"who served his state well and faithfully."

B. Joint Resolutions and Joint Memorials Being Amended in the Opposite House

The House and Senate prepare copies of all joint resolutions and joint memorials, including the engrossed version if the measure was amended in the house of origin. Amendments should be written to the "hard copy" rather than to the journal. Since resolutions and memorials have only two readings in each house, amendments should be written to amend the engrossed version rather than a reengrossed version of the resolution or memorial.

Amend engrossed joint resolution (or joint memorial), page 3, line 7, strike "rules and".

Page 4, after line 26 (if line 26 is the last line of the resolution or memorial), add the following:

"Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution (or memorial) be displayed at an appropriate location in the Senate chamber."

Amend engrossed joint memorial, page 2, after line 15, insert the following:

"WHEREAS, It is fitting that we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly, pay tribute to a former member who served his state proudly; and".