

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2411
By: Solomons
State Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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