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Mr. Chair:

I spoke with members of our Department with overlap to the work of substance within H.175. I also spoke with Judge Davenport and DCF. Not sure you will need our testimony; I can say that the Department is in support of H.175 as written. From our view: H. 175, essentially, is a modernization bill to bring the statutory description of what the council does into common practice. This update puts the federal statute in the driver's seat of what the council does.

After speaking with members in our field, you can feel free to post this comment if I am unable to testify in person. We support H.175.

Best,

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