PROPOSED

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2162

(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:
   "Section 1. Joint legislative study committee on rural area fire district funding and taxation; membership; duties; report; delayed repeal

A. The joint legislative study committee on rural area fire district funding and taxation is established consisting of the following members:
   1. Three members of the senate who are appointed by the president of the senate, not more than two of whom are members of the same political party.

   2. Three members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, not more than two of whom are members of the same political party.

   3. A person who is elected to a fire district board within a county with a population of five hundred thousand persons or more and who is appointed by the president of the senate.

   4. A person who is elected to a fire district board within a county with a population of less than five hundred thousand persons and who is appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

   5. A representative of a city or town whose fire and emergency medical services are provided by a fire district and who is appointed by the president of the senate.

   6. A representative of an association of counties in this state that represents the county boards of supervisors and who is appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives."
7. A representative of an association of fire districts in this state that represents elected fire district board members and who is appointed by the president of the senate.

B. The members of the study committee shall select a chairperson of the study committee from among its membership.

C. The study committee shall consider the level of fire safety services provided to rural areas by fire districts and fire departments and shall review taxation levels in various counties, both countywide and in the unincorporated areas of those counties.

D. The study committee shall submit a report of the study committee's findings and any recommendations on or before December 15, 2015 to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and the governor and provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state.

E. This section is repealed from and after December 31, 2015.”

Amend title to conform