## **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 358 by Representative Edmonds

## 1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 10, after "justice" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line
- 3 11, delete "created by the COVID-19 pandemic,"

## 4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

- 5 On page 1, delete lines 18 through 20 and on page 2, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "B. Pursuant to the inherent judicial power of the court, the court may order the parties to any civil case to participate in the program. Any party 8 9 who wishes to opt out of the program shall file a written motion to opt out 10 within ten days after service of the order, which may be granted ex parte. If no party opts out, all parties shall participate in the program unless a party 11 has been exempted by the court due to an undue hardship. An undue 12 13 hardship exists when a party cannot access the online system or participate 14 in the program without substantial difficulty or expense as determined by the 15 court."