HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 607 by Representative Abramson

CIVIL/PROCEDURE: Provides for continuous revision of the Code of Civil Procedure

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Deleted provisions regarding persons before whom depositions are taken, exempting those persons who do not have actual knowledge of the existence of an employment or contractual relationship and who have obtained certification that they do not have a prohibited employment or contractual relationship with a party litigant from those defined as "employees".
- 2. Made technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law (C.C.P. Art.1035) provides for answer in incidental demands.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes the deadline for answering incidental demands the same as provided for principal demands.

Present law (C.C.P. Art.1425) provides for identifying testifying experts.

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that a party is under no obligation to identify a testifying expert absent a discovery request or order for an expert report.

Present law (C.C.P. Art.1462) provides for discovery-production of documents and things.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the period for the state and its political subdivisions to respond to a request for production of documents and things <u>from</u> 15 to 30 days.

(Amends C.C.P. Arts. 1035, 1425(C), and 1462(B)(1))