2nd Sub. H.B. 117 PATENT INFRINGEMENT AMENDMENTS

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

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Senator **John L. Valentine** proposes the following amendments:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 50 through 52:
 - 50 (2) "Target" means a person or entity residing in, incorporated in, or organized under
 - 51 the laws of this state that has received a demand letter and includes the customers, distributors and
 - 52 agents of the person or entity.
- 2. Page 3, Lines 57 through 59:
 - 57 (1) A sponsor may not distribute a demand letter to a target that includes a bad faith
 - 58 <u>assertion of patent infringement.</u>
 - 59 (2) { A demand letter includes a bad faith assertion of patent infringement when } A court may consider the following factors as evidence in determining whether a sponsor has or has not distributed a demand letter containing a bad faith assertion of patent infringement, but no one factor may be considered conclusive as to whether a demand letter contains a bad faith assertion of patent infringement :
- 3. Page 3, Lines 66 through 73:
 - 66 (iv) the identification of at least one claim of each asserted patent that is allegedly
 - 67 <u>infringed</u>; {<u>and</u>}
 - 68 (v) for each claim identified in Subsection (2)(a)(iv), a description of one or more
 - 69 allegedly infringing products, including the make, model number, and other specific identifying
 - 70 indicia of allegedly infringing products, services or methods made, used, offered for sale, sold,
 - 71 imported or performed by the target, provided in sufficient detail to allow the target to assess
 - 72 the merits of the assertion of patent infringement; and
 - 73 { (vi) identification of each judicial or administrative proceeding pending as of the date
- 4. *Page 3, Lines 85 through 87:*
 - 85 (v) an assertion that the amount of compensation demanded will increase if the target
 - 86 retains counsel to defend against the assertions in the demand letter or if the target does not pay
 - 87 the sponsor within a period of 60 days or less
 - (vi) a false or misleading statement; or
 - (vii) the demand letter demands payment of a license fee or response within an unreasonably short period of time depending on the number and complexity of the claims .

- 5. Page 4, Lines 99 through 101:
 - 99 (e) the sponsor is:
 - (i) the inventor or joint inventor of the patent or the original assignee of the inventor or
 - joint inventor , or an entity owned by or affiliated with the original assignee ; or
- 6. Page 4, Lines 115 through 118:
 - 115 (2) The Attorney General may conduct civil investigations and bring civil actions
 - pursuant to this part. In an action brought by the Attorney General under this part, the court
 - may award or impose any relief it considers prudent, including { , but not limited } to the
 - 118 <u>following:</u>
- 7. Page 5, Lines 133 through 134:
 - (d) final resolution of actions brought under this part, including any recovery under
 - 134 Subsection (2).