

1st Sub. H.B. 54
VIDEOTAPE OF MINORS

Representative **Wayne A. Harper** proposes the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Lines 13 through 14:*

- 13 ▶ requires that the child and interviewer be simultaneously recorded; ~~[[**and**]]~~
- 14 ▶ requires that the recording be continuous and display time and date :
- ▶ provides that interviews are to be conducted in an existing facility, when available;
- ▶ encourages a worker to audiotape all interactions with a child; and
- ▶ allows an accompanying parent or guardian to audiotape interactions between the worker
and the child .

2. *Page 2, Lines 26 through 34:*

- 26 (1) Interviews of children during an investigation in accordance with Section 62A-4a-409
27 shall be conducted only under the following conditions:
- 28 ~~[[**(1)**]]~~ (a) the interview shall be recorded visually and aurally on film, videotape, or by other
29 electronic means;
- 30 ~~[[**(2)**]]~~ (b) both the interviewer and the child shall be simultaneously recorded and visible on
31 the final product;
- 32 ~~[[**(3)**]]~~ (c) the time and date of the interview shall be continuously and clearly visible to any
33 subsequent viewer of the recording; and
- 34 ~~[[**(4)**]]~~ (d) the recording equipment shall run continuously for the duration of the interview.
- (2) If reasonably available, interviews conducted in accordance with this section shall be carried
out in an existing interview room or division offices. If circumstances require that an interview take
place outside of a prepared facility, the interviewer shall use the best equipment available under the
circumstances.
- (3) A worker who meets with a child for any reason shall be encouraged to record any interaction
by means of audiotape.
- (4) A parent or guardian who accompanies a child while meeting with a worker may not be
prohibited from audiotaping the interaction between the child and worker.