After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB18-1353 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend printed bill, page 3, after line 17 insert:

"SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) For the 2018-19 state fiscal year, $1,853,037 is appropriated to the department of local affairs for use by the division of local government. This appropriation is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that the division will require an additional 0.5 FTE. To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation for the defense counsel on first appearance grant program."

Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

Page 1, line 104, strike "COURTS." and substitute "COURTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.".

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