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**SB 422**

**RELATING TO CHILD VISITATION**

Deletes duplicative provision of awarding grandparents reasonable visitation rights. Adds as prerequisites to awarding visitation that the court also find that denial of reasonable grandparent visitation rights would cause actual or potential harm to the child. Clarifies procedures for an order awarding reasonable visitation rights to grandparents and that a violation of the terms and conditions of such an order is subject to sanctions or contempt of court.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair  
Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 1, 2017

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 016

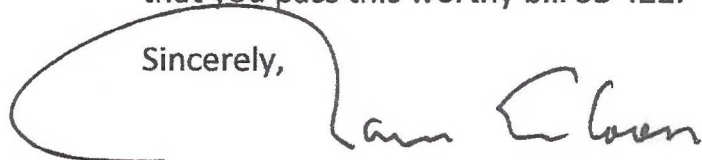
**Testimony of James E. Coon Speaking in Conditional Support of SB 422**

Chair Senator Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads and Senators of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor:

My name is James Coon and I am testifying as a concerned citizen and Grandparent. Overall I am in support of SB 422 however I take exception to a deletion of grandparents found on Page 6 line 10. It does not appear to be redundant with the rest of the bill and seems to weaken the standing of responsible grandparents to be awarded visitation rights.

Please restore the deleted grandparents on page 6 line 10 and I humbly request that you pass this worthy bill SB 422.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. Coon". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a hand-drawn oval.

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