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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2296

Page 1, line 1, replace "two" with "a"

Page 1, line 1, replace "sections" with "section"

Page 1, line 2, replace "agency adjudications and" with "limiting"

Page 1, line 2, remove "in administrative"

Page 1, line 3, replace "hearings" with "to governmental entities; and to provide for a legislative management study"

Page 1, remove lines 5 through 17

Page 1, line 21, remove the underscored colon

Page 1, line 22, replace "1. When" with ", in"

Page 1, line 22, after "interpreting" insert "or applying"

Page 1, line 22, replace "regulatory document, an administrative law" with "rule, a"

Page 1, line 23, replace "an administrative agency's" with "a governmental entity's"

Page 1, line 23, replace "a" with "the"

Page 1, line 24, remove "other regulatory document to determine the meaning."

Page 2, remove lines 1 and 2

Page 2, line 3, replace "maximizes individual liberty" with "rule. After applying all customary rules of interpretation, the court shall resolve any remaining ambiguity against increased agency authority"

Page 2, after line 3, insert:

"**SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - AUTHORITY OF HEARING OFFICERS.** During the 2023-24 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the impact of granting statutory authority under chapter 28-32 to a hearing officer, who may not be the agency head, to make findings of fact and conclusions of law, and issue orders. The study must include a review of chapter 28-32 and input from governmental entities and other interested parties. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation necessary to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly."

Renumber accordingly