

**SB 5152 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that over the past decades, there have been instances in which statutes have been judicially construed differently than may have been intended and that it will be helpful to the judicial and legislative branches if the rules by which statutes are judicially construed are reviewed and better understood by both branches.

Declares an intent to create a broadly representative task force to review the existing rules of statutory construction, identify those rules that are appropriate for codification, and identify those rules that may, if revised, lead to improved comity between the legislative and judicial branches in determining public policy.

Establishes a legislative task force on statutory construction.

Requires the expenses of the task force to be paid jointly by the senate and the house of representatives.

Expires July 1, 2011.