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**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
REP. WARD, 86<sup>th</sup> Dist.

To: House Bill No. 5212

File No. 495

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING FREEDOM OF THE PRESS."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 2-46 of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *passage*):

6 (a) The president of the Senate, the speaker of the House of  
7 Representatives, or a chairman of the whole, or of any committee of  
8 either house, of the General Assembly, or either of the chairmen of the  
9 Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee shall have  
10 the power to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses by  
11 subpoena and *capias* issued by any of them, require the production of  
12 any necessary books, papers or other documents and administer oaths  
13 to witnesses in any case under their examination including any  
14 program review or investigation, as defined in section 2-53d, except  
15 that such chairman shall not issue such subpoena or *capias* unless the

16 issuance of such subpoena or capias has been approved by a majority  
17 vote of the members of such committee. Any person, summoned as a  
18 witness by the authority of either house of the General Assembly or  
19 said Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee to give  
20 testimony or to produce books, papers or other documents upon any  
21 matter under inquiry before either house, or any committee of either  
22 house, of the General Assembly, or a joint committee of both houses,  
23 who wilfully makes default or, having appeared, refuses to be sworn  
24 or to answer any question pertinent to the question under inquiry,  
25 shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars nor less than one  
26 hundred dollars and imprisoned for not less than one month nor more  
27 than twelve months."