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## Synopsis of House Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the House Floor.)

### S.B. 302 of the 134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

#### House Technology and Innovation

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#### **Digitalized photographic records**

Limits the Department of Public Safety's proposed release of digitalized photographic records to the Department of Job and Family Services (JFS) for JFS to carry out its functions only under the Unemployment Compensation Law, rather than carrying out any of its functions as in the Senate-passed version.

#### **Income verification**

Allows the JFS Director to request tax information for the most recent taxable year for which an annual return was due, rather than the "current" taxable year as in the Senate-passed version, when using the income verification system required under the bill for federal programs that provide money to out-of-work individuals who are ineligible for traditional unemployment benefits.

#### **Unemployment Compensation Review Commission**

Allows the Unemployment Compensation Review Commission (UCRC), when a UCRC member is unable or unavailable to consider an appeal, to appoint a hearing officer as a temporary commissioner to fulfill the missing commissioner's duties with respect to the appeal, but prohibits the UCRC from appointing the hearing officer who decided the appeal at the hearing officer level.

Eliminates a proposed requirement in the Senate-passed version that the UCRC issue an order that a hearing officer's decision constitutes the UCRC's final decision if a quorum of UCRC members cannot be obtained to consider a request for review.