

MINUTES
Approved by the Committee
State Employee Group Insurance & Benefits Committee
Tuesday, November 29, 2016
10:00 A.M.
Room WW17
Boise, Idaho

Co-chair Senator Todd Lakey called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.; a silent roll call was taken. Committee members in attendance: Co-chair Senator Todd Lakey and Co-chair Representative Fred Wood; Senator Dan Johnson; Representatives Neil Anderson, Robert Anderst, Jason Monks, and Hy Kloc. Senators Robert Nonini and Jim Patrick participated via conference-phone. Senator Dan Schmidt was absent and excused. Legislative Services Office staff present were: Kristin Ford, Robyn Lockett, and Ana Lara.

Other attendees: Josh Sears, Helbling Benefits Consulting; Karen Thiel and Gary Foote, Dept. of Administration; and Jody Zauna, Dept. of Human Resources.

Co-chair Lakey thanked everyone for their work and efforts on the committee. He explained that the committee work had been mostly an educational opportunity, and expressed his desire to build on this opportunity in the future beginning with the recommendations included in the final report.

Co-chair Lakey called for approval of the minutes from October 25, 2016. Senator Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. Representative Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Final Report Discussion:

Co-chair Lakey stated that while there had been plenty of discussion between the last meeting and the present meeting, he wanted to provide an opportunity for the committee members to comment and discuss the committee's draft report further. Co-chair Wood thanked the committee members for their previous input on the draft report, and stated that the comments and suggestions had been incorporated into the final report. Co-chair Wood made a motion for the committee to adopt the report before them as presented and written. Representative Anderst seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Co-chair Lakey stated that the adopted final report would move forward to the appropriate parties.

NOTE: the committee's final report is posted on the Idaho Legislature website: https://legislature.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/sessioninfo/2016/interim/161129_seg1_01_FinalReport.pdf; and a copy is on file at the Legislative Services Office located in the State Capitol.

Co-chair Wood thanked the committee members for their work, and the educational opportunity that was afforded to them. He expressed hope that the Legislature would reconstitute the State Employee Group Insurance and Benefits Committee next year so that they may expand their work on this matter. Co-chair Wood also thanked the staff, as well as the people who had presented to the committee.

The committee adjourned at 10:08 a.m.