

MINUTES
HOUSE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Monday, February 17, 2020
- TIME:** 1:30 P.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW41
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Dixon, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Collins, Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Stevenson, Armstrong, Clow, Andrus, Furniss, Nichols, Raymond, Kiska, Smith, Berch, Green
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** The sign-in sheet will be retained with the minutes in the committee secretary's office until the end of the session. Following the end of the session, the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.
- Chairman Dixon** called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
- H 476:** **Rep. Syme** presented **H 476**, legislation clarifying that all sales associates must provide copies of signed real estate transaction documents to their broker by the end of the next business day. Technology advances have made it possible for brokers to supervise contracts electronically, the physical presence requirement created unnecessary restrictions for the business models of some brokerage companies.
- MOTION:** **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 476** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 475:** **Rep. Green** presented **H 475**, legislation prohibiting an employer who chooses to offer employees the opportunity to earn paid sick leave, from counting use of that earned paid sick leave, when taken in accordance with the employer's written sick leave policy, as an absence subject to discipline, discharge, demotion, suspension, or any other adverse action.
- Chairman Dixon** turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** at 1:47 p.m.
- Those speaking in support of **H 475** were **Jason Taylor**, IBEW 291; **Rhonda Bushong**, IBEW 291; **Lori Reed**, IBEW 291; **Vincent D'Allesandro**, ASA IAM; **Melanie Vyeda**, IAM; **Stephanie Hudgens**, ATT; **Leslie Losh**, ATT; **Ashley Stewart**, ATT; **Serenity Bornstife**, ATT; **Kevin Corpman**, ATT; **Alisha DeVila**, ATT; and **Erik Rodinsky**, ATT. All expressed the current earned paid sick leave is ineffective, resulting in unfair loss of earned income and termination of employment.
- Fred Birnbaum** spoke in opposition to **H 475**, explaining it is necessary to have a system in place so employees will be accountable to come to work.
- Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** turned the gavel back over to **Chairman Dixon** at 3:35 p.m.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Crane** made a motion to send **H 475** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Green** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 398: **Rep. Raymond** presented **H 398**, clarifying the correct titles of several standards in Idaho Code and the definition of a Qualified Elevator Inspector (QEI) as "a person who is currently certified by the National Association of Elevator Safety Authorities International (NAESA International) accredited certifying organization as meeting the requirements of the NAESA International QEI-1 standard."

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 398** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Crane, Andrus, and Palmer** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. Rep. will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 416: **Rep. Andrus** presented **H 416** legislation allowing banks to act as a custodian or fiduciary for the purpose of offering tax-advantaged savings plans and clarifies the authority of banks to offer all tax-advantaged savings plans qualified under the Internal Revenue Code and the Idaho Income Tax Act, and to clarify that banks may act as a fiduciary for the limited purpose of tax advantaged savings plans specified by the Idaho Income Tax Act.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 416** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Andrus** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 418: **Rep. Armstrong** presented **H 418** and turned the time over to **Anthony Polidori**, IDOF, who explained legislation regarding The Securities Bureau regulatory oversight for investment firms, representatives and oversight of companies that raise capital through the offer and sale of securities. The Department seeks retain current statutory authority by aligning Idaho's current law with citation changes due to federal legislation.

MOTION: **Rep. Clow** made a motion to send **H 418** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Armstrong** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 417: **Rep. Armstrong** presented **H 417**, legislation providing the Department with continued authorization to require and accept a fee for registration and renewal of endowment care cemeteries. Without this change, the Department will not have the ability to continue to receive the \$150 annual registration and renewal fees for these endowment care cemeteries.

MOTION: **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to send **H 417** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Armstrong** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 473: **Rep. Furniss** presented **H 473** and turned the time to **Richard Sherrick**, IDOF, who explained the purpose of this legislation is to grant authority to the Director of Finance to issue enforcement actions directly to a credit union, provide for confidentiality of examination report and other confidential information, and authorize credit unions to act as a custodian or fiduciary for tax-advantaged savings plans.

Those speaking **in support** of **H 473** were **Rick Sherrick**, DOF; **Brenda Worrell**, Idaho Central Credit Union; **Lucy Ito**, NASCUS; **Hal Scoggins**, NWCUA; **Brad Swartzentruber**, NW Christian CU, **Brian Nicholas**, Deputy Attorney General.

Those speaking **in opposition** of **H 473** were **Fred Birnbaum**, Idaho Freedom Foundation; **Brody Aston**, Freedom NW; and **Eric Lindsay**, FNWCU.

Brian Nicholas, Deputy Attorney General, explained the current statute, saying the process will be exactly the same.

MOTION: **Rep. Stevenson** made a motion to send **H 473** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Furniss** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Chairman Dixon introduced the new page, **Kaela Dixon**, from St. Maries, Idaho.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Representative Dixon
Chair

Jayne Feik
Secretary