

MINUTES
HOUSE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, February 25, 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:** Kiska

GUESTS: John Nielsen, Plumbing and Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Manager, Idaho Division of Building Safety (IDBS); James Adams; Julia Adams; Maureen N. Moran; James P. Moran; Dan Jenkins; Mike Kane; Bob Ricketts, IIABI; Clint Puskenwitz, IIABI; Evan Mortimer; Steve Thomas, Farm Bureau; Rick Frost; Jeremy Chew, Givens Presley; Jasmine Rhodes; Russ Johnson, IILA; Kelby Monks

Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

H 474: **Rep. Monks** presented **H 474**, legislation eliminating phantom insurance and reduced payments for benefits paid by others. The purchaser of an underinsurance coverage plan for a motor vehicle receives the stated benefit on the declarations page. This prevents insurance companies from taking credit for benefits paid by other insurance companies and limits the benefits recoverable to the purchaser's actual losses or the amount of coverage purchased, whichever is less.

James Adams; Maureen Moran; Evan Mortimer, attorney; **Rick Frost; Jasmine Rhodes; Russ Johnson**, attorney; **Kelby Monks**, attorney, are of the opinion that customers aren't receiving the benefits they believe they have paid for from insurance plans, and spoke **in support** of **H 474**.

Mike Kane; Bob Ricketts; Steve Thomas spoke **in opposition** to **H 474**, saying this bill will increase costs and needs to be held in committee to work on wording.

MOTION: **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to send **H 474** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Barbieri** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Monks** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Chairman Dixon turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt**.

H 526: **Rep. Furniss** presented **H 526**, legislation applying to the section regarding indexed annuities which asks the agent to maintain disclosure records for a time certain and insurance companies to surrender charges over a 10 - year period. The director would be charged to create the disclosure form.

Director Cameron explained the standards for annuities.

Brian Wiley, consumer advocate, expressed concern regarding predatory agents taking advantage of those who do not understand annuities.

MOTION: **Rep. Clow** made a motion to send **H 526** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Furniss** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

S 1259: **Rep. Lickley** introduced **John Nielsen**, (IDBS), and presented **S 1259**. The bill would eliminate barriers to licensure and the need for a license. An exception from plumbing licensing requirements for installers of manufactured or mobile homes to make connections, and allowing installers to obtain permits to make connections is made. Installers must make connections in accordance with the same standards as plumbing licensees, there is no need to require installers to obtain a plumbing or specialty license to make connections. **Rep. Nichols** declared Rule 80.

MOTION: **Rep. Furniss** made a motion to send **S 1259** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Lickley** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

S 1260: **Rep. Lickley** presented **S 1260** legislation allowing HVAC apprentices to renew registration and continue working as apprentices by showing completion of eight hours of continuing education for each year of the prior registration period. The legislation changes the apprentice registration period from five years to one year, the fee from \$50 to \$10, and makes tracking continuing education easier.

John Nielsen, (IDBS), explained that this is not another pathway to licensure, but allows people to stay in the trade while not pursuing journeyman.

MOTION: **Rep. Collins** made a motion to send **S 1260** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Berch** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. Lickley** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Vice Chairman DeMordaunt turned the gavel over to **Chairman Dixon.**

MOTION TO RECONSIDER DOCKET NO: 07-0000-1900F: **Rep. Crane** made a motion to reconsider **Docket No. 07-0000-1900F.** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Representative Dixon
Chair

Jayne Feik
Secretary