

**MINUTES OF THE
WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**
ROOM 225 STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
February 23, 1998

Members Present: Rep. Orville D. Carnahan, Chair
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen, Vice-Chair
Rep. Gerry Adair
Rep. Jeff Alexander
Rep. Steve Barth
Rep. Duane Bourdeaux
Rep. Margaret Dayton
Rep. Lloyd Frandsen
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow
Rep. J. Brent Haymond
Rep. Nora B. Stephens

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Arthur L. Hunsaker, Research Analyst
Beverly Weeks, Committee Secretary

Visitors List: List filed with Committee Minutes

Representative Sheryl L. Allen, Co-Chair, called the committee to order at 8:09 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Dayton moved that the minutes of Feb. 17, 1998 be approved as written. The motion passed with Reps. Alexander, Frandsen and Haymond absent for the vote.

H.B. 167 Amendments Related to the Workers' Compensation (G. Adair)

MOTION: Rep. Adair moved to delete in title and body HB 167 and replace it with 3rd Sub. HB 167.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Haymond absent for the vote.

Rep. Adair explained that a blue ribbon commission met during 1997 but could not agree on a bill. This bill incorporates some of the items the group discussed. The fund should remain the carrier of last resort. The bill also establishes a Workers' Compensation Fund and the Injury Fund.

The committee asked clarifying questions of the sponsor.

MOTION: Rep. Goodfellow moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 4, line 11: Delete "9" and insert "11"
2. Page 4, line 24: Delete "and" and after line 24 insert "(v) two representatives of labor; and"
3. Page 4, line 25: Delete "(v)" and insert "(vi)"

4. Page 5, line 27: After “requires” insert “a simple majority of those present” and delete the remainder of the line.
5. Page 5, line 28: Delete “directors”

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Adair moved the following amendments:

1. Page 4, line 25: After line 25 insert “(b) A director appointed under Subsection (2) (a) (iii) (C) through (E) may be an owner, officer, or employee in those industries.”
2. Page 5, line 25: Delete “Six” and insert “Five”
3. Page 5, line 27: Delete “six” and insert “five”

Bill text on p. 5, lines 11 through 25 renumbered due to amendments adopted.

The motion passed with Reps. Barth, Bourdeaux, Goodfellow and Haymond voting in opposition.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Larry Bunkall, President Utah Manufacturing Association
Ronald Casper, National Federation of Business in Utah

The following spoke in opposition of the bill:

Lane Summerhays, President Workers Compensation Fund
Dan Brothman, President Columbia Health Care
James Brown, Commercial West Insurance Agency, Ogden

MOTION: Rep. Adair moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Frandsen absent for the vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Rep. Orville D. Carnahan, Chair

Rep. Sheryl L. Allen, Vice-Chair