MINUTES OF THE SENATE BUSINESS & LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2007, 3:30 P.M. ROOM W015, WEST OFFICE BUILDING STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX

Members Present: Sen. Kevin VanTassell, Chair

Sen. Dan Eastman Sen. Carlene Walker Sen. Ed Mayne

Members Excused: Sen. Bill Hickman

Sen. Gene Davis

Members Absent: Sen. Wayne Niederhauser

Staff Present: Allison Nicholson, Policy Analyst

Karen Allred, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Kevin Olsen, Director, Division of Consumer Protection

Howard Headley, President, Utah Bankers Association Rich Thorn, President, Association of General Contractors

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair VanTassell called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. and announced that S.J.R. 6 would not be considered today.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2007 meeting.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Eastman and Mayne absent for the vote.

1. S.B. 101 Credit Services Organizations Act Changes (L. Hillyard)

Sen. Hillyard introduced the bill and the following amendment was distributed:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 38 through 44:
 - 38 (3) (a) "Credit services organization" means a person who <u>represents oneself or an</u> <u>employee as a debt professional or credit counselor, or</u>, with respect to the
 - 39 extension of credit by others, sells, provides, or performs, or represents that the person can

or

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- 40 will sell, provide, or perform, in return for the payment of money or other valuable
- 41 consideration any of the following services:
- 42 (i) improving a buyer's credit record, history, or rating; {-or-}
- 43 (ii) providing advice, assistance, instruction, or instructional materials to a buyer with
- 44 regard to Subsection (3)(a)(i) $\{-\}$

(iii) debt reduction or debt management plans.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to adopt the amendment.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Eastman and Mayne absent for the vote.

Kevin Olsen, Director, Division of Consumer Protection, further explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Eastman and Mayne absent for the vote.

2. S.B. 118 Mechanics' Lien and Payment Amendments (S. Jenkins)

Sen. Jenkins introduced the bill.

Howard Headley, President, Utah Bankers Association, and Rich Thorn, President, Association of General Contractors, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Eastman moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously at 3:50 p.m.

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