

UTAH STATE SENATE

UTAH STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX • 320 STATE CAPITOL P.O. BOX 145115 • SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84114-5115 • (801) 538-1035

February 14, 2008

Mr. President:

The Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and Criminal Justice Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **S.J.R. 9**, JOINT RESOLUTION AMENDING RULES OF EVIDENCE RELATING TO INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM, by Senator G. Davis, with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 1, Lines 20 through 25:
 - provides that a report, and information from or relating to a report, maintained in
 - 21 the Management Information System may not be disclosed or admitted as evidence {-,
 - 22 nor may testimony regarding the report or information be made or accepted, \ in a
 - proceeding <u>where the state is not a party</u> for divorce, child-custody, a protection order, adoption, or termination
 - of parental rights, if the report has been found to be unsubstantiated, unsupported,
 - or without merit <u>, unless a party who is not the alleged perpetrator in the report</u>

 <u>shows, by clear and convincing evidence, that the probative value of the report or information outweighs its prejudicial effect</u>; and
- 2. *Page 2, Lines 54 through 55:*
 - 54 (a) (5) "Restricted proceeding" means a proceeding , where the state is not a party, for divorce, child-custody, a
 - 55 protection order, adoption, or termination of parental rights.

Bill Number

Action Class

Action Code

S.J.R. 9 February 14, 2008 - Page 2

- 3. *Page 3, Lines 59 through 61:*
 - 59 (b) *General rule of privilege*. Restricted information may not be disclosed or admitted
 - 60 <u>as evidence</u> { , nor may testimony regarding restricted information be made or accepted, } in a
 - 61 restricted proceeding, if a finding of unreliability has been made in relation to the report unless a party who is not the alleged perpetrator in the report shows, by clear and convincing evidence, that the probative value of the restricted information outweighs the prejudicial affect of the restricted information.

Respectfully,

Gregory S. Bell Committee Chair

Voting: 4-0-3

3 SJR009.SC1.WPD jdhowe/JDH TRV/MDA 2/14/08 9:57 am

Bill Number

Action Class

