**MINUTES OF THE SENATE BUSINESS & LABOR  STANDING COMMITTEE**
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2009, 8:30 A.M.**
**ROOM 215, SENATE BUILDING**
**STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX**


Members Present:          Sen. John Valentine, Chair
                         Sen. Gene Davis
                         Sen. Dan Liljenquist
                         Sen. Karen Mayne
                         Sen. Wayne Niederhauser
                         Sen. Steve Urquhart
                         Sen. Kevin VanTassell

Staff Present:            Phil Dean, Policy Analyst
                         Jean Butler, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present:  Richard Burke, Attorney, Utah Association for Justice (UAJ)

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

Chair Valentine called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.


1.  **HB0039  Utah Injured Worker Reemployment Act**  (M. Morley)

    Rep. Morley introduced the bill.

    **MOTION:**  Sen. Mayne moved to pass the bill out favorably.

    The motion passed unanimously with a  4 - 0 vote, with Senators Davis and Liljenquist
     absent from the vote

2.  **SB0049  Small Business Access to Justice Act**  (R. Romero)

    Sen. Romero introduced the bill.

    Sen. Valentine raised a question regarding the financing of the bill.

    **MOTION:**  Sen. Urquhart moved to pass the bill out favorably and spoke to the bill.

    The motion passed unanimously with a 5 - 0 vote, with Senators Davis and
     Lilljenquist absent  for the vote.

3.  **SB0120  Workers' Compensation Act - Medical Reports**  (K. Mayne)

Sen. Mayne presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Mayne moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The bill passed unanimously with a 6 - 0 vote with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

4. **SB 0121  Workers' Compensation - Attorney Fees**  (K. Mayne)

Sen. Mayne presented the bill.

Senator Urquhart discussed the bill.

Richard Burke, Attorney, UAJ, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The bill passed unanimously with a 7 - 0 vote.

**MOTION:** Senator Niederhauser moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously with a 7 - 0 vote.

Chair Valentine adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.


Minutes were reported by Jean Butler, Committee Secretary


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Sen. John Valentine,  Committee Chair