MINUTES OF THE HOUSE BUSINESS AND LABOR
STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 450, State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex

February 5, 2010

Members Present: Rep. Jim Dunnigan, Chair
Rep. Patrick Painter, Vice Chair
Rep. Jackie Biskupski
Rep. Stephen Clark
Rep. Susan Duckworth
Rep. Gage Froerer
Rep. Francis Gibson
Rep. Neil Hansen
Rep. Brian King
Rep. Todd Kiser
Rep. Michael Morley
Rep. Brent Wallis
Rep. Curt Webb

Members Absent: Rep. Kevin Garn

Staff Present: Bryant Howe, Assistant Director
Rosemary Young, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Dunnigan called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.


H.B. 222 Land Use Meeting Notice (Rep. T. Beck)

Rep. Beck explained the bill to the committee.


**MOTION:**  Rep. Hansen moved to amend H.B. 118 as follows:

1.  *Page 5, Line 121 through Page 5, Line 125:*
   
   (5) (a)  
   
   (i)  
   
   At the end of each fiscal year, the unrestricted, undesignated General Fund balance after the transfers of surplus of General Fund revenues described in this Subsection (5)(a) shall be earmarked to the Industrial Assistance Fund in an amount equal to 120% of any credit that has accrued under this part.

   (ii)  
   
   The earmark under Subsection (5)(a)(i) shall be capped at $50,000,000, at which time no subsequent contributions may be made and any interest accrued above the $50,000,000 cap shall be deposited into the General Fund.


Rep. Harper introduced the bill and explained it to the committee assisted by Spencer Eccles, Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Economic Development. Tom Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Association, spoke in favor of the bill.


**MOTION:**  Rep. Painter moved to amend H.B. 188 as follows:

1.  *Page 10, Line 304 through Page 11, Line 310:*
   
   (a)  
   
   the status of cases for which the Employers' Reinsurance Fund pays permanent total disability compensation;

   (b)  
   
   the process the Labor Commission follows to facilitate the implementation of the Merrill decision by the Workers' Compensation Fund and private insurers.

   

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308 (c) the effect, if any, of implementing the Merrill decision on:
309 (i) the Employers' Reinsurance Fund;
310 (ii) assessments related to workers' compensation under Sections 34A-2-202 and

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

Rep. Harper introduced the bill and explained it to the committee.


S.B. 37 Impact Fee Revisions (Sen. W. Niederhauser) (Rep. M. Morley)

Sen. Niederhauser introduced the bill and explained it to the committee. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns, and Mike Ostermiller, Utah Property Rights Coalition and Utah Association of Realtors, spoke in favor of the bill.


H.B. 227 Licensing Eligibility (Rep. S. Sandstrom)

Rep. Sandstrom introduced the bill and explained it to the committee. The following individuals spoke in favor of the bill:

Ronald Mortensen Utah Coalition on Illegal Immigration
Peter Cannon Davis County 9/12 Project
Charlene Booth Citizen

The following individuals spoke against the bill:

Lincoln Shurtz Utah League of Cities and Towns
Joe Reyna Republican Hispanic Assembly

Rep. Dunnigan adjourned the meeting at 3:37 p.m.