## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

25 House Building, Utah State Capitol Complex March 6, 2014

**Members Present:** Rep. Paul Ray, Chair

Rep. Stewart Barlow

Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck

Rep. Tim M. Cosgrove Rep. Brian M. Greene Rep. Michael S. Kennedy Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove Rep. Edward H. Redd

**Members Absent:** Rep. LaVar Christensen, Vice Chair

**Staff Present:** Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst

Ms. Linda Black, House Secretary

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

Chair Ray called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Kennedy moved to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2014, meeting. The

motion passed unanimously with Rep. Barlow, Rep. Cosgrove, and Rep. Menlove

absent for the vote.

2nd Sub. S.B. 109 Radon Awareness Campaign (Sen. A. Osmond)

Sen. Osmond explained the bill to the committee.

The following handouts were provided:

"Radon Levels By Districts" - Utah Radon Coalition
"Radon Awareness Campaign" - Utah Radon Coalition

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Michael Siler, Director, Utah Radon Coalition

Mr. Mark Brinton, Utah Medical Association Mr. Ray Southwick, Utah Association of Realtors Dr. Wallace Akerley, Huntsman Cancer Institute

Mr. Ryan Kirkham, Vice President, Utah Association of Realtors

Rep. Chavez-Houck declared a conflict of interest.

**MOTION:** Rep. Greene moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed

unanimously.

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## H.B. 178 Halfway House Amendments (Rep. E. Hutchings)

Rep. Hutchings explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Redd moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to place H.B. 178 on the Consent Calendar. The motion

passed unanimously.

# H.B. 429 Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Rehabilitation Fund Amendments (Rep. E. Hutchings)

Rep. Hutchings explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to replace H.B. 429 with 1st Substitute H.B. 429, "Spinal

Cord and Brain Injury Rehabilitation Fund Amendments." The motion passed

unanimously with Rep. Cosgrove absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Michael Swenson, Executive Director, Utah Shared Access

Alliance

Spoke in favor of the bill: Dr. Dale Hull, Neuroworx Specialty Clinic

Mr. Marshall Lindsay Ms. Natalie Dartez

Ms. Joyce Dolcourt, Chair, Legislative Coalition for People With

Disabilities

**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to pass the bill out favorably as substituted. The motion

passed unanimously.

Rep. Menlove assumed the chair.

#### 1st Sub. S.B. 210 Prescription Synchronization (Sen. C. Bramble)

Sen. Bramble explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Cosgrove moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed

unanimously with Rep. Redd and Rep. Ray absent for the vote.

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**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 210 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Ray absent for the vote.

## H.B. 428 Veteran Benefit Assistance Disclosure (Rep. T. Cosgrove)

**MOTION:** Rep. Cosgrove moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 44 through 47:
  - 44 (2) Beginning July 1, 2014, { every three years the } department shall:
  - 45 (a) notify the {Department of } Insurance Department regarding the federal law governing assistance
  - 46 <u>for veterans applying for benefits, and the</u> { <u>Department of</u>} <u>Insurance</u> <u>Department shall notify all</u> { <del>licensed</del>}
  - 47 { insurance brokers, agents, or businesses } individual producers and consultants licensed by the Insurance Department at the time of initial licensing and upon license renewal of those same federal laws governing assistance for

## **SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Kennedy moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 44 through 47:
  - 44 (2) Beginning July 1, 2014, {every three years} the department shall:
  - 45 (a) notify the { Department of } Insurance Department regarding the federal law governing assistance
  - 46 <u>for veterans applying for benefits, and the</u> { <u>Department of</u>} <u>Insurance</u> <u>Department shall notify all</u> { <del>licensed</del>}
  - 47 { insurance brokers, agents, or businesses } individual producers and consultants licensed by the Insurance Department at the time of initial licensing and upon license renewal of those same federal laws governing assistance for

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

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Terry Schow, advocate, Utah Veterans Affairs

Mr. Tom Day, Senior Veteran Service Alliance (provided a handout, Applicant's Bill of Rights for Assistance with Applying

for Veterans Benefits)

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**MOTION:** Rep. Kennedy moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion

passed unanimously with Rep. Ray absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed

unanimously with Rep. Ray absent for the vote.

Rep. Menlove adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Paul Ray, Chair