

House Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for COMMERCE

Date: ***March 6, 2013***

Location: ***Room 103***

Convened: ***10:00 AM***

Recessed: ***10:05 AM***

Reconvened: ***10:50 AM***

Adjourned: ***11:20 AM***

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Cownie-CH, Brandenburg-VC, Hall-RM, Baltimore, Dawson, Fisher, Forbes, Grassley, Jacoby, Kajtazovic, Kressig, Landon, Lykam, Oldson, Pettengill, Riding, Sands, Smith, J, Soderberg, Taylor, R, Vander Linden, Watts

Absent: None

Excused: Representative Olson, T

The Commerce Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Cownie.

Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Chairman Cownie asked for any revisions to the minutes of the March 4ⁿ meeting. Hearing none, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Chairman Cownie announced the following (2) bill assignments:

HF 364- Cownie- CH: Lykam and Soderberg

HF 400- Cownie- CH: Lykam and Soderberg

Chairman Cownie announced the (5) bills to be discussed; HSB 44, HSB 188, HF 84, HF 88, HSB 133, and both parties went to caucus at 10:05 a.m.

The Committee reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

Representative Grassley was recognized for opening comments on HSB 44; a study bill for providing for immunity from civil liability for registered architects and professional engineers providing disaster emergency assistance under specified circumstances. Rep. Grassley gave opening remarks, discussion followed. Committee members voiced concerns, and Rep. Grassley gave closing remarks and moved HSB 44. Chair Cownie moved HSB 44, as a Committee Bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 15 ayes, 7 nays, 1 absent. (Rep. Cownie, Brandenburg, Baltimore, Fisher, Forbes, Grassley, Jacoby, Landon, Pettengill, Sands, Smith, Soderberg, Taylor, Vander Linden and Watts, voted aye) 7 nays, (Rep. Hall, Dawson, Kajtazovic, Kressig, Lykam, Oldson, Riding, voted nay), 1 absent.

Representative Watts was recognized to take up HSB 188; a study bill for providing for the issuance of a ratemaking principles order when a rate-regulated public utility enters into a power purchase agreement under specified circumstances. The subcommittee report of Rep.

Watts, Fisher and Kajtazovic was submitted and signed. . Rep. Watts gave opening remarks, followed by discussion, and with closing remarks and moved HSB 188. Chair Cownie moved HSB 188, as a Committee Bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 22 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Representative Brandenburg was recognized to take up HF 84; a bill for an act relating to and requiring the return of stolen merchandise in the possession of a pawn shop owner or operator, and providing penalties. The subcommittee report of Rep. Brandenburg, Dawson and Taylor was submitted and signed. Rep. Brandenburg gave opening remarks, discussion followed, and with closing remarks moved HF 84. Chair Cownie moved HF 84 as a Committee Bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 22 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Representative Fisher was recognized to take up HF 88; a bill for an act relating to a right of subrogation by an insurer in a criminal case. The subcommittee report of Rep. Fisher, Landon and Riding was submitted and signed. Rep. Fisher gave opening remarks and asked permission to take up amendment 88.356. Short form was called and amendment 88.356 passed on a voice vote. Committee members voiced concerns. Rep. Fisher gave closing remarks and moved HF 88. Chair Cownie moved HF 88, as amended, as a Committee Bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 20 ayes, 2 nays (Rep. Hall and Dawson voted nay), 1 absent.

Representative Vander Linden was recognized to take up HSB 133; a study bill relating to enhanced E911 emergency communication systems, and providing penalties. The subcommittee report of Rep. Vander Linden, Kressig and Pettengill was submitted and signed. Rep. Vander Linden gave opening remarks and asked permission to take up amendment 133.359. Short form was called and amendment 133.359 passed on a voice vote. Committee members voiced concerns. Rep. Vander Linden gave closing remarks and moved HSB 133. Chair Cownie moved HSB 133, as amended, as a Committee Bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 22 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

With no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Cownie moved to adjourn and Representative Kressig seconded the motion.

The Commerce Committee adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Representative Peter M. Cownie

Marlene Martens, Committee Secretary