

\*House Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for COMMERCE

Date: *February 19, 2014*

Location: *RM 103*

Convened: *11:35 AM*

Adjourned: *12:55 PM*

### Attendance Roll Call:

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

Absent: None

Excused: None

The Commerce Committee meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Chairman Cownie and roll call was dispensed with a quorum present.

Chairman Cownie asked for any revisions to the minutes of the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Hearing none, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Chairman Cownie announced the following bill assignment:

[HF 2233](#) –Pettengill-CH: Landon and Riding

Chairman Cownie gave opening remarks and both parties went to caucus at 11:38 a.m.

Reconvened at 12:25 p.m.

Representative Pettengill was recognized to take up [HSB 642](#); a study bill relating to mutual-to-stock insurance company conversions. The subcommittee report of Reps. Pettengill, Landon and Oldson was submitted and signed. Rep. Pettengill gave opening remarks, discussion followed and Rep. Pettengill gave closing remarks and moved the bill. Chair Cownie moved [HSB 642](#), as a committee bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 23 ayes.

Representative Taylor was recognized to take up [HSB 552](#); a study bill relating to the supervision of orthotist or prosthetist assistants. The subcommittee report of Reps. Taylor, Fisher and Forbes was submitted and signed. Rep. Taylor gave opening remarks and asked permission to take up amendment 552.2885. Amendment passed on a voice vote. Discussion followed and Rep. Taylor gave closing remarks and moved the bill. Chair Cownie moved [HSB 552](#), as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 23 ayes.

Representative Watts was recognized to take up [HSB 518](#); a study bill for modifying notification requirements applicable to underground facility excavations where underground facilities are present. The subcommittee report of Reps. Watts, Landon and Riding was submitted and signed. Rep. Watts gave opening remarks and asked permission to take up amendment 518.2864. Amendment passed on a voice vote. Discussion followed and Rep. Watts gave closing remarks and moved the bill. Chair Cownie moved [HSB 518](#), as amended as a

committee bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 23 ayes.

Representative Smith was recognized to take up [HSB 657](#); a study bill for specifying procedures applicable to claims asserting stray electric current or voltage. The subcommittee report of Reps. Smith, Kressig and Soderberg was submitted and signed. Rep. Smith gave opening remarks, discussion followed and Rep. Smith gave closing remarks and moved the bill. Chair Cownie moved [HSB 657](#), as a committee bill on a roll call vote. Motion carried with 21 ayes, 2 nays (Reps. Brandenburg and Sands were the nays).

With no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Cownie gave closing remarks and moved to adjourn. Representative Ourth seconded the motion.

The Commerce Committee adjourned at 12:55 a.m.

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Representative Peter Cownie

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Marlene Martens, Committee Secretary