COMMITTEE MINUTES for
JUDICIARY

Date: February 21, 2008 **Place:** Rm 102, Supreme Court Consult Rm

Convened: 2/21/2008 3:45 PM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 2/21/2008 4:05 PM

Present: Representatives Swaim-CH, Palmer-VC, Anderson-RM, Baudler, Boal, Heaton, Horbach, Jacobs, Lensing, Mertz, Oldson, Olson, R., Paulsen, Schueller, Smith, Struyk, Tomenga, Wendt, Wessel-Kroeschell, Winckler

Absent: None

Excused: Representative Huser

The House Judiciary Committee meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. in room 102.

All were present except Representative Huser, who was excused. The minutes from the last meeting were approved as previously distributed.

Next, the following bills were assigned:
HSB 683- Rick Olson, chair, Tomenga, Wendt
HSB 684- Rick Olson, chair, Jacobs, Wessel-Kroeschell
HSB 685- Winckler, chair, Boal, Lensing
HSB 687- Palmer, chair, Lensing, Struyk
HSB 707- Schueller, chair, Mertz, Boal
HSB 708- Schueller, chair, Mertz, Tomenga
HF 2257- Mertz, chair, Palmer, Struyk
HF 2282- Rick Olson, chair, Jacobs, Wessel-Kroeschell
HF 2300- Rick Olson, chair, Horbach, Oldson

Chairperson Swaim then temporarily assigned Vice-Chair Palmer as Chairperson.

Chairperson Palmer recognized Representative Swaim for opening comments on HSB 546. Following opening comments, Chairperson Palmer then recognized Representative Swaim for opening comments on Amendment 301. Following committee discussion, and with unanimous consent, Representative Swaim moved to withdraw Amendment 301. Representative Swaim then moved passage of HSB 546. HSB 546 passed the House Judiciary Committee 19-1, with 1 absent. Chairperson Palmer announced that HSB 546, having received sufficient votes for passage, would pass to the Floor of the House as a committee bill.

Chairperson Palmer then returned Chair duties to Representative Swaim.

With unanimous consent, Chairperson Swaim announced that the committee would defer on HF 886 and SF 445. He also announced that Republicans and Democrats would caucus upon adjournment.

Ranking Member Anderson moved to arise.

The committee adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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Representative Kurt Swaim

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Kaitlyn Swaim, Committee Secretary