COMMITTEE MINUTES for
ECONOMIC GROWTH

Date: March 11, 2009 **Place:** Rm 102, Supreme Court Consult Rm

Convened: 3/11/2009 3:50 PM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 3/11/2009 5:10 PM

Present: Representatives Thomas-CH, Bailey-VC, Forristall-RM, Anderson, Cownie, Ford, Horbach, Jacoby, Kelley, Marek, May, Miller, H., Schueller, Schultz, Soderberg, Sorenson, Steckman, Swaim, Thede, Upmeyer, Wenthe

Absent: None

Excused: None

Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved as printed.

The following bills were assigned:
HF 579 - Bailey-ch, Schueller, Soderberg
HF 582 - Ford-ch, Marek, Upmeyer
HF 587 - Ford-ch, Jocoby, Soderberg
HF 632 - Bailey-ch, Sorenson, Wenthe
HF 659 - Bailey-ch, Forristall, Wenthe

Rep. Thomas introduced Mike Colwell, Executive Director of Business Innovation Zone of Central Iowa. Mr. Colwell presented an update on business accelerators.

Rep. Thomas recognized Rep. Kelley for opening remarks on HF 140, a bill for an act relating to local government development activities in cultural and entertainment districts. There was an amendment.
At this point the Republicans went to caucus. Following the return of the Republican members, Rep. Kelley spoke on amendment 301. After questions on the amendment, Rep. Kelley moved amendment 301. It passed by voice vote. With no questions on the bill, Rep. Kelley was recognized for closing comments. Rep. Kelley moved HF 140 as amended. The bill passed unanimously as a committee bill as amended. Ayes -20, Nays - 0 Absent - 1.

Rep. Thomas recognized Rep. Steckman for opening remarks on HSB 134 previously deferred. Rep. Thomas asked for unanimous consent to go directly to amendment 501, since opening comments were previously held. There were no objections. With no questions on the amendment, Rep. Steckman moved amendment 501. It passed by voice vote. Following discussion on the bill, Rep. Steckman was recognized for closing comments. Rep. Steckman moved HSB 134as amended. The bill passed unanimously as a committee bill as amended. Ayes - 20, Nays - 0, Absent - 1.

With no further business to come before the committee, Rep. Soderberg moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

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Representative Roger Thomas

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Rosemary Thomas, Committee Secretary