

MINUTES
HOUSE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 23, 2020

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman Dixon, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Collins, Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Stevenson, Armstrong, Clow, Andrus, Furniss, Nichols, Raymond, Kiska, Smith, Berch, Green

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Jack Lyman, Idaho Manufactured Housing Association; Misty Lawrence, DFM
Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m

DOCKET NO. 18-0000-1900: **Director Cameron**, (DOI), introduced **Wes Trexler** Deputy Director, DOI, and **Knute Sandahl**, Idaho State Fire Marshall. Director Cameron explained in preparation for adopting the pending rule, rules were sorted into categories and re-numbered in more logical ways. Omnibus rules were then revised to remove redundancies and clarify existing language. Director Cameron also clarified that any removal of restrictive language had no legal ramifications. Re-adoption of the international fire code was also contained in this Docket and no substantive changes were made to the code as it had been adopted the previous year. Fire Marshall Sandahl explained all interpretation of the fire code is up to the State Fire Marshall.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0000-1900. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 18-0000-1900F: **Director Cameron** explained this Docket has two pending fee rules and no substantive changes. The changes to these pending fee rules were limited to the removal of redundant and restrictive language. This Docket was also reorganized for clarity regarding annual licensing fees for insurance companies. Two fees were eliminated which have not been in use or previously collected.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0000-1900F. Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 27205: **Director Cameron** presented **RS 27205**, proposed legislation repealing the Idaho Hospital Liability Trust Act. No hospital liability trusts are currently registered in the state of Idaho nor have any trusts applied since 1999. The removal of this act due to disuse is part of the Governor's Red Tape Reduction Act. Director Cameron also explained there has been no money held by this trust, nor any access to the trust since 1999.

MOTION: **Rep. Clow** made a motion to introduce **RS 27205. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 18-0408-1901: **Director Cameron** said this rule provides standards for various individual disability and group supplemental disability policies. Changes to this rule provide standardized and simplified terms of coverage to allow greater public understanding and comparison of coverages. The changes included removal of confusing pre-existing condition language, removal of medical expense coverage types, and restructuring of sections in order to clarify which standards apply to which type of coverage.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0408-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 18-0416-1901: **Director Cameron** explained **Docket No. 18-0416-1901** added a new section of Idaho Code to define and provide for the purchase of enhanced short-term health insurance plans. Enhanced short-term plans will have an initial period of less than twelve months, but may be renewed up to 36 months. This rule will offer choices to consumers for individual health insurance and define the consumer protections required to offer such plans. This rule also covers the traditional short-term health insurance plans.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0416-1901**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 18-0606-1901: **Director Cameron** said this rule combines parts of three former rules regarding surplus lines following the Governor's Red Tape Reduction Act.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0606-1901**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Representative Dixon
Chair

Jayne Feik
Secretary