

MINUTES
HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, March 03, 2020

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW05

MEMBERS: Chairman Holtzclaw, Vice Chairman Anderson, Representatives Harris, Kingsley, Syme, Christensen, Giddings, Wisniewski, Remington, Chew, Abernathy, Ellis

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Kingsley, Chew, Abernathy

GUESTS: Erin King, Idaho Self-storage Association; Celeste Lete, Kings Gate Storage; Ron Osborne, Keylock Storage

Chairman Holtzclaw called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

S 1264: **Rep. Vander Woude** indicated **S 1264** updates and amends sections of Idaho Code relating to self-storage facilities, lessee default, access restrictions, definition updates, reasonable rates for late charges, clarifying endorsement of lien language and definition updates.

Those speaking in support were **Erin King**, Idaho Self-Storage Association; **Celeste Lete**, Kings Gate Storage and **Ron Osborne**, Keylock Storage.

MOTION: **Rep. Abernathy** made a motion to send **S 1264** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

During discussion on the motion, **Reps. Syme and Anderson** invoked Rule 80 stating a possible conflict of interest but that they would be voting on the legislation.

**VOTE ON
MOTION:** **Chairman Holtzclaw** called for a vote on the motion to send **S 1264** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Wisniewski** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. Vander Woude** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

S 1262: **Jani Revier**, Idaho Department of Labor Director, indicated **S 1262** amends three different sections of Chapter 72, Title 13, Idaho Code: 72-135 relieves charges to an employer's unemployment insurance account when an employee leaves employment based on a personal choice and still qualifies for benefits; 72-1333 removes a reference to an official seal of the Department; and 72-1352A removes expired dates and changes to the election submission deadline.

MOTION: **Rep. Ellis** made a motion to send **S 1262** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Chairman Holtzclaw continued committee discussion related to PERSI's sick leave fund which began on February 25, 2020.

During discussion it was revealed the balance in the sick leave fund had grown substantially to approximately \$631 million. To slow growth of the sick leave fund, a premium vacation had been in place the last 18 months. Currently, annual cost of the fund is \$24 million compared to the annual build of the asset which is \$40 million. Committee members commented with concern that the Legislature had not been notified earlier. **Rep. Ellis** stated he felt PERSI was requesting guidance from the Legislature and recommended establishing a sub-committee to work on the solution with PERSI.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Representative Holtzclaw
Chair

Karen Westen
Secretary