

MINUTES
HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, January 07, 2014
TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room EW20
MEMBERS: Chairman Wood(27), Vice Chairman Perry, Representatives Hancey, Henderson (Chambers), Hixon, Malek, Morse, Romrell, Vander Woude, Rusche, Chew
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: None

Chairman Wood(27) called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Wood(27) welcomed **Rep. John Chambers**, who is substituting for **Rep. Henderson**. He also introduced **Sara Garcia**, the committee page. He instructed the committee to be prepared for daily meetings, including Fridays, in keeping with the anticipated short session.

Dennis Stevenson, Coordinator of Administrative Rules, Department of Administration, appeared before the committee. He discussed administrative code responsibility and the Legislative Services Office (LSO) germane committee review process. Mr. Stevenson explained that Pending Rules include an analysis that indicates any LSO committee objections or reservations. New this year, online rules are color coded. Yellow reflects caution that these rules will be effective if there is a lack of action. Fee Rules are green, to indicate money is involved. Temporary Rules are salmon and will die, like the endangered fish, if no action is taken by the end of the session. He then described the action that can be taken on each type of rule.

Chairman Wood(27) reminded the committee about meeting protocol, RS review, and quorum guidelines. He explained that all germane committees receive rules, although the Senate Health & Welfare Committee has an expanded area of coverage from the House Health & Welfare Committee. He stated that **Reps. Malek, Rusche, and Perry** would join him as proofers for the committee minutes. He encouraged the committee to meet with him on any topics of interest that can be scheduled to further committee education. **Chairman Wood(27)** then talked about the upcoming JFAC reporting and public health care hearings.

After a brief discussion, the committee agreed to have the secretary post agendas and minutes on the "Box" Health and Welfare Site.

Regarding any Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) budget questions or issues, **Chairman Wood(27)**, advised the committee to contact the DHW directly to give them the opportunity to address concerns or issues prior to or during their upcoming committee presentation.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Representative Wood(27)
Chair

Irene Moore
Secretary