MINUTES

HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE ROMRELL SUBCOMMITTEE

Administrative Rules

DATE:

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

TIME:

746

1:30 P.M.

PLACE:

Room EW20

MEMBERS:

Chairman Romrell, Representatives Anderson, Chaney, Nielsen, Packer, Chew

ABSENT/ EXCUSED:

Representatives Anderson, Chew

GUESTS:

Megan Ronk, Susie Davidson, Kallen Hayes, Jenny Hemly, Cindy Lee, Patrick Watson, Department of Commerce; Angela Richards, various insurance companies; Mindy Montgomery, David Barney, Patti Vaughn, Idaho Industrial Commission; George Gutierrez, Idaho Industrial Commission/Crime Victims Compensation Program; Tom Limbaugh, Idaho Industrial Commission; Matt Warnick, Division of Financial Management; Woody Richards, insurance companies.

Chairman Romrell called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

MOTION:

Rep. Packer made a motion to approve the minutes of the Thursday, January 15, 2015, meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

DOCKET NO. 28-0401-1402:

Megan Ronk, Chief Operating Officer, Department of Commerce presented Docket No. 28-0401-1402. The Pending Rule governs administration of the new Idaho Reimbursement Incentive Act (TRI). The rule addresses program intent, eligibility, job creation criteria, and the application process. Also clarified are conflict of interest, agreements and tax credit authorization.

MOTION:

Rep. Packer made a motion to recommend the full committee approve Docket No. 28-0401-1402. Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Nielsen requested to be recorded as voting NAY.

DOCKET NO. 17-0209-1401:

Patti Vaughn, Medical Fee Schedule Analyst, Idaho Industrial Commission, presented Docket No. 17-0209-1401. Ms. Vaughn stated the rule change is a code range adjustment, housekeeping in nature and is done to align with coding changes by the American Medical Association relative to physicians, hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers as well as billing and payment requirements.

MOTION:

Rep. Packer made a motion to recommend the full committee approve Docket No. 17-0209-1401. Motion carried by voice vote.

DOCKET NO. 17-0209-1501:

Patti Vaughn, Medical Fee Schedule Analyst, Idaho Industrial Commission presented Docket No. 17-0209-1501. Ms. Vaughn stated the temporary rule addresses the Idaho workers' compensation hospital outpatient fee schedule modeled after the Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) payment system created by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). In order to keep payments stable and to avoid unnecessary confusion the agency has adopted this Temporary Rule.

MOTION:

Rep. Nielsen made a motion to recommend the full committee approve Docket No. 17-0209-1501. Motion carried by voice vote.

DOCKET NO. 17-0501-1401:

George M. Gutierrez, Bureau Chief, Crime Victims Compensation Program, Idaho Industrial Commission presented Docket No. 17-0501-1401. Mr. Gutierrez stated the changes in the rule address payments to innocent crime victims for medical services, reimbursement for transportation expenses in connection with obtaining benefits and payment of bills for reasonable treatment and services for victims who suffer injuries as the direct result of criminally injurious conduct.

MOTION:

Rep. Packer made a motion to recommend the full committee approve Docket

No. 17-0501-1401. Motion carried by voice vote.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:29 P.M.

Representative Romrell

Chair

Joyce McKenzie

Secretary