

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharon Schwartz at 4:00 P.M. on May 2, 2008, at the Rail of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Tom Burroughs - excused
Representative Pat George - excused
Representative JoAnn Pottorff - excused
Representative Jason Watkins - excused
Representative Jerry Henry - excused
Representative Tom Sawyer - excused
Representative Harold Lane - excused

Committee staff present:

Cody Gorges, Legislative Research Department
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Jason Thompson, Revisor of Statutes
Nikki Feuerborn, Chief of Staff
Shirley Jepson, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Hearing on SB 702 and SB 703

Hearing on SB 702 - Continuation of certain exceptions to disclosure under the open records act and SB 703 - Reconciling amendments to certain statutes.

Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes, explained that **SB 702** addresses technical corrections to the open records statutes to continue 14 statutory exceptions until July 15, 2009, in order for legislative reviews of each provision to be completed (Attachment 1). Mr. Wilson noted that the comprehensive review of the Opens Records Act is not complete at this time and the extension will allow for the comprehensive review to be completed.

Mr. Wilson explained that **SB 703** is another piece of technical corrections legislation that is necessary to reconcile amendments to statutes which have been amended more than once during this session or a prior session (Attachment 2).

There were no conferees to appear before the Committee.

The hearing on SB 702 and SB 703 was closed.

Representative Powell moved to recommend SB 702 favorable for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Bethell. Motion carried on voice vote.

Representative Powell moved to recommend SB 703 favorable for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Masterson. Motion carried on voice vote.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Committee will be "on call of the Chair".

Sharon Schwartz, Chair