SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

July 03, 2001 Hearing Room 343 3:00 p.m. Tape 166

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. John Minnis, Chair

Sen. Peter Courtney, Vice-Chair

Sen. Ginny Burdick Sen. Verne Duncan Sen. Steve Harper Sen. Rick Metsger

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Roger Beyer

STAFF PRESENT: Marilyn Odell, Counsel

Patsy Wood, Office Coordinator

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2427A Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 166,	A	
003	Chair Minnis	Calls the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Opens a work session on HB 2427A.
HB 2427A V	WORK SESSION	
005	Counsel Odell	Explains that a work group was formed to resolve conflicts over the House amendments to HB 2427A. Lists the members of the work group. Explains that this bill deals with third-party custody and visitation orders (<i>Troxel</i> decision). Describes the A7 amendments (EXHIBIT A).
036	Chair Minnis	Asks about the A8 amendments (EXHIBIT B).
037	Counsel Odell	Explains that the A8 amendments are necessary to resolve conflicts with SB 167 and SB 145.
053	Counsel Odell	Speaks to the change in the presumption for custody and the presumption for visitation.
072	Sen. Burdick	Asks how the "best interest of the child" fares with these changes.
073	Counsel Odell	Responds that it is still the overriding criteria when the court fashions their remedy.
115	Chair Minnis	Recesses while waiting for the A8 amendments to come from LC.
120	Chair Minnis	Reconvenes the work session on HB 2427A.
120	Counsel Odell	Reiterates why the A8 amendments are necessary to resolve conflicts with SB 145 and SB 167.
138	Sen. Duncan	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2427A-8 amendments dated 07/03/01.
		VOTE: 5-0-2

EXCUSED: 2 - R. Beyer, Courtney

139	Chair Minnis	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
140	Sen. Duncan	MOTION: Moves HB 2427A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 5-0-2
		EXCUSED: 2 - R. Beyer, Courtney
143	Chair Minnis	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. MINNIS will lead discussion on the floor.
144	Sen. Duncan	States for the record that he hates the term "born out of wedlock" being used for a child, and hopes that one day that can be changed.
149	Chair Minnis	Adjourns the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Patsy Wood Bill Taylor, Office Coordinator Counsel

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 2427A, A7 amendments dated 7/3/01, submitted by staff, 5 pgs.

B – HB 2427A, A8 amendments dated 7/3/01, submitted by staff, 22 pgs.