

House Civil Justice Committee

Representative Jim Butler, Chair

February 22nd, 2017

4:01 p.m.: Chair Rep. Jim Butler called the meeting of the House Civil Justice Committee to order; roll was taken and a quorum was present. Chairman Butler said with a quorum present, the committee shall operate as a full committee. The committee reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting; there were no objections, and the minutes were added to the committee record.

4:02 p.m.: The Chair called House Bill 1 for its second hearing. The committee heard testimony from Phyllis Carlson-Riehm; there were no questions. The committee heard testimony from Judge Charles Schneider; he responded to questions from Reps. Sykes, Butler, Hughes, and Boggs. The committee heard testimony from Judge Diane Palos; she responded to questions from Reps. Sykes, Boggs, Manning, Seitz, and Butler.

4:58 p.m.: The Chair ordered the committee to stand at ease.

5:23 p.m.: The committee reconvened; Rep. Sykes moved to amend and offered Am. 0044. The motion was seconded by Rep. Manning. Rep. Sykes and LSC provided an explanation of the amendment. There were no objections, and Am. 0044 became part of the bill. Rep. Sykes moved that the committee favorably report HB 1 as amended and recommend its passage; the motion was seconded by Rep. Manning. Roll was taken; the vote was 12-0, and the bill as amended was favorably reported as a substitute bill.

5:26 p.m.: The Chair called House Bill 7 for its second hearing. The committee heard testimony from Tim Maglione; he responded to questions from Reps. Boggs, Rezabek, Seitz, and Butler. The committee heard testimony from Bobbie Sprader; she responded to questions from Rep. Seitz. The committee heard testimony from Dr. Michael McCrea; there were no questions, though the Chair permitted him to make remarks in response to questions of previous witnesses.

6:23 p.m.: Vice Chair Hughes called HB 52 for its first hearing. The committee heard sponsor testimony from Rep. Rezabek; there were no questions.

6:26 p.m.: With no further business to be brought before the committee, Vice Chair Hughes adjourned the committee.

Rep. Jim Butler, Chair

Rep. Kristin Boggs, Secretary