Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims

Subcommittee Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2009 State Office Building 500S 3:00 p.m.

In Attendance

Rep. Lyle Koenen

Rep. Mary Murphy

Rep. Bruce Anderson

Sen. Ron Latz

Sen. Rick Olseen

Not Present

Sen. David Hann

Call to Order by Chair Koenen: 3:14 p.m. A quorum is present.

Craig Lindeke, Senior Assistant Revisor of Statutes, served as counsel to the subcommittee.

Senator Latz **MOVED** to approve the minutes from March 20, 2009 Subcommittee meeting. **MOTION PREVAILED**.

1. Craig Lindeke presented the Steven Craig Hatcher claim against the Department of Labor and Industry.

Testified on Hatcher claim:

- Steven Craig Hatcher, claimant
- Nancy Leppink, Department of Labor and Industry

Senator Olseen MOVED to deny the Hatcher claim. MOTIONED PREVAILED.

2. Craig Lindeke presented the Robert Salido claim against the Department of Human Services.

Testified on Salido claim:

- Robert Salido, claimant (by phone)
- Greg Naumann, Security Counselor at St. Peter Hospital (by phone)
- NgoziChukwu Akubuike, Department of Human Services

Senator Olseen **MOVED** to deny the Salido claim. **MOTIONED FAILED.** Senator Latz **MOVED** to direct the Department of Human Services to pay claimant in the amount of \$295.00 from existing department funds. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

3. Craig Lindeke presented *personal injury claims against the Department of Corrections numbered 1 thru 12 on the agenda.*

Testified on property claims:

• Randy Hartnett, Department of Corrections

Senator Olseen **MOVED** to pay the Hookman claim in the amount of \$1,875 (2.5%) permanency injury) and to pay the Tolve claim in the amount of \$4,050 (5.4% permanency injury). MOTION PREVAILED. Representative Murphy MOVED to pay the Nygard claim in the amount of \$4,837.50 (6.45% permanency injury). MOTION PREVAILED. Representative Murphy **MOVED** to hold over the Hamilton claim until the claimant is fully recovered to determine if there is any permanent impairment. MOTION PREVAILED. Senator Olseen **MOVED** to pay the Bramer claim in the amount of \$7,500 (10% permanency injury). MOTION PREVAILED. Representative Murphy MOVED to pay to medical providers \$1,012.84 regarding the Streeter claim. MOTION PREVAILED. Representative Murphy **MOVED** to pay the Schultz claim in the amount of \$1,500 (2% permanency injury). MOTION PREVAILED. Senator Latz MOVED to deny the DeVito claim. MOTION **PREVAILED.** Representative Murphy **MOVED** to lay over the Liebesny claim to determine if a permanent disability develops and to lay over the Maddox claim until completion of an independent medical exam can be completed. MOTION PREVAILED. Representative Murphy **MOVED** to pay \$2,844.86 to the medical providers for the Serich claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.** Representative Murphy **MOVED** to deny the Carlson claim. MOTION PREVAILED.

4. Possible Statutory Amendments

Craig Lindeke presented drafted statutory *amendment A09-0115 of SF 1011* for the Subcommittee member consideration. Members directed Mr. Lindeke to revise the draft amendment making the legislature the exclusive remedy of property claims.

Craig Lindeke presented drafted statutory amendment *A09-0116 of SF1011* for the Subcommittee member consideration. Senator Olseen **MOVED** to amend the filing fee to \$10 with a minimum claim amount of \$25. **MOTION FAILED**.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Lyle Koenen, Chair Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims

Senator Ron Latz, Co-Chair Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims Diane Henry-Wangensteen, Staff Support Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims