

2005 HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

HB 1150

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1150

HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1-19-05

Tape Number

Side A

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Committee Clerk Signature

Jody Reinke

Minutes:

Chairman Keiser: Opened the hearing on HB 1150. All committee members were present.

Karlene Fine, Executive Director & Secretary, Industrial Commission: Appeared in support of HB 1150 and provided written testimony. (SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY).

Representative Ekstrom: There has been a lot of discussion this session and last session on regards to accountability. Do you see that any of this will be in conflict if your ability to report on what program is needed. I know it's not your roll, but it obviously needs further investigation.

Representative Keiser: What would be included in programs, student loans program?

Karlene Fine: Those are very specific programs that we have where there is a certain criteria to follow, the programs are run through the Bank of ND.

Rep. Dosch: I move a DO PASS on HB 1150.Rep. Ekstrom: SECOND THE MOTION.

Motion carried. VOTE: 14-YES 0-NO 0-Absent.

Representative Thorpe will carry bill on the floor. Meeting adjourned.

Date: 1-19-05

Roll Call Vote #:

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) January 19, 2005 12:06 p.m.

Module No: HR-12-0695 Carrier: Thorpe Insert LC: Title:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1150: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Keiser, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1150 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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Minutes: Chairman Mutch opened the hearing on HB 1150. Senator Espegard was absent.

HB 1150 relates to confidentiality of Bank of North Dakota customer records.

Karlene Fine, Executive Director and Secretary of the Attorney General's office, introduced the bill. See written testimony.

Senator Klein: What you are saying here is "ABC Company" wouldn't give many details about the loan, but you would say that they participated in the PACE program? For example. You would be able to give that information, which you currently don't.

Karlene: That is exactly right.

Senator Klein: But only the program that you are dealing with?

Karlene: No other details, than the name of the borrower, the amount of the financing and which program they participated in, and they received their buy-down.

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There was no opposition.

Senator Klein moved a DO PASS.

Senator Krebsbach seconded.

Roll Call Vote: 6 yes. 0 no. 1 absent.

Carrier: Senator Heitkamp

Date: 2-23-05 Roll Call Vote #: \

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. \\

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) February 23, 2005 3:11 p.m.

Module No: SR-33-3521 Carrier: Heitkamp Insert LC: Title:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1150: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1150 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

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2005 TESTIMONY

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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF NORTH DAKOTA

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Testimony on House Bill No. 1150

By Karlene Fine

Executive Director & Secretary

Industrial Commission of North Dakota

January 19, 2005 – House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

Mr. Chairman and members of the House Industry, Business and Labor Committee, my name is Karlene Fine and I am Executive Director and Secretary for the Industrial Commission. One of the functions of the Industrial Commission is oversight of the Bank of North Dakota.

House Bill No. 1150 deals with the information that the Industrial Commission can release regarding a Bank of North Dakota borrower. There are two provisions in current law which specifically relate to what is being proposed.

North Dakota Century Code § 6-09-35(1) states:

- 6-09-35. Confidentiality of Bank records. The following records of the Bank of North Dakota are confidential:
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In essence this is saying that if you are doing business with the Bank of North Dakota your financial information is confidential.

Because the Bank is a unique organization – the only state-owned Bank – the Legislature has stated that certain information can be released if you are a customer of the Bank. Section 6-08.1-02 of the Century Code deals with Disclosure of Customer Information. Subsection 7 states the following:

6-08.1-02. Exemptions. This chapter does not apply to any of the following:...

- 7. The release by the industrial commission, in its capacity as the managing body of the Bank of North Dakota, of the following:
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b. The amount of any financing or security referenced in subdivision a.

c. The amount of any net writeoff or loan forgiveness associated with the financing or security referenced in subdivision a which the industrial commission determines is uncollectible.

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Because the Bank of North Dakota is a unique financial institution the Commission believes there must be a balance between what the public has a right to know and what the Bank must be able to keep confidential in order to function as a bank. By proposing this legislation the Commission had indicated that it is supportive of disclosing the program under which a borrower obtained financing.

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