



SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

February 1, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 209** (first reading copy -- white) do pass as amended.

Signed:

Vicki Cocchiarella
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, line 8.

Strike: "15-1-121,"

2. Page 2, line 8 through page 13, line 24.

Strike: section 2 in its entirety

Renumber: subsequent sections

3. Page 14, line 2.

Following: "60."

Insert: "A process server who holds a valid certificate of registration from a clerk of court in this state as of July 1, 2007, shall present the registration certificate to the board, and the board shall exchange that registration certificate for a new certificate that expires on March 31, 2009."

4. Page 15, line 4.

Following: "60."

Insert: "A clerk of court holding a surety bond for a process server under this section as of June 30, 2007, shall transfer the original bond and any supporting documentation to the board on July 1, 2007."

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required —

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 204** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed:


Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, line 5.

Following: "BUSINESSES"

Insert: "BY CLAIMANTS; ALLOWING ACCESS FOR COMPETITIVE ESTIMATES"

2. Page 1, line 11.

Following: "(1)"

Insert: "(a)"

3. Page 1, line 14.

Strike: "(a)"

Insert: "(i)"

Following: "that a"

Strike: "person insured"

Insert: "claimant"

4. Page 1, line 16.

Strike: "(b)"

Insert: "(ii)"

Strike: "an insured person"

Insert: "a claimant"

5. Page 1, line 17.

Strike: "an insured person"

Insert: "a claimant"

6. Page 1.

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required



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Following: line 18

Insert: "(b) An insurance company, including its producers and adjusters, that issues or renews a policy of insurance in this state covering, in whole or in part, a motor vehicle may have access to the motor vehicle for purposes of preparing a competitive estimate."

7. Page 1, line 27.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

8. Page 1, line 29.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

9. Page 2, line 6.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

10. Page 2, line 17.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

11. Page 2, line 18.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

12. Page 2, line 19.

Strike: the first "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

Strike: the second "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

13. Page 2, line 20.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

14. Page 2, line 22.

Strike: "an insured person"

Insert: "a claimant"

15. Page 2, line 24.

Strike: "insured"

Insert: "claimant"

Strike: "insured's"

Insert: "claimant's"

16. Page 2, line 29.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

17. Page 3, line 1.

Strike: "insured person"

Insert: "claimant"

18. Page 3, line 2 through line 3.

Following: the second "charge" on line 2

Strike: "an" on line 2 through the first "customer" on line 3

Insert: "a claimant"

19. Page 3, line 6.

Strike: ", "

Insert: ":

(a) "

20. Page 3, line 8.

Following: "products"

Insert: ";

(b) "claimant" means the person seeking repair of a motor vehicle whether that person is the insured person or a third party making a claim against the insurer"

- END -



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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 211** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: _____

Vicki Cocchiarella
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

1. Page 1.

Following: line 28

Insert: "(3) "Electrical construction" means work performed by an individual, firm, or corporation in which an electrical connection is made to a supply of electricity or in which electricity is supplied to any electric equipment installation for which a permit is required by the authority having jurisdiction."

Renumber: subsequent subsections

2. Page 2.

Following: line 4

Insert: "(5) (a) "Electrical maintenance" means ordinary and customary installations in a plant or onsite in addition to modifications, additions, or repairs that are limited to replacing ballasts, relamping, trouble-shooting motor controls, and replacing motors, breakers, or magnetic starters in a kind-for-kind manner. Also included is the connection of specific items of specialized equipment that can be directly connected to an existing branch circuit panel by means of factory-installed leads.

(b) The term does not include installation of a new circuit to operate the equipment described in subsection (5) (a) or installation that requires the size of the supply conductors to be increased. These actions require installation by a licensed electrical contractor."

Renumber: subsequent subsections

Committee Vote:

Yes 9, No 2

Fiscal Note Required _____

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3. Page 4, line 4.

Following: "business"

Strike: ", "

Insert: "or"

Strike: ", or calling"

Following: "of"

Insert: "or hold oneself out as being"

4. Page 5, line 21.

Strike: "procedures and"

Following: "rules"

Insert: "and applicable laws under Title 37 or Title 50"

5. Page 6, line 6.

Following: "union"

Insert: "or trade association"

6. Page 6, line 16.

Strike: "procedures and"

Following: "rules"

Insert: "and applicable laws under Title 37 or Title 50"

7. Page 6, line 23.

Following: "union"

Insert: "or trade association"

8. Page 7, line 3.

Strike: "procedures and"

Following: "rules"

Insert: "and applicable laws under Title 37 or Title 50"

- END -



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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 315** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass**.

Signed: _____

Vicki Cocchiarella
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 7, No 4

Fiscal Note Required _____

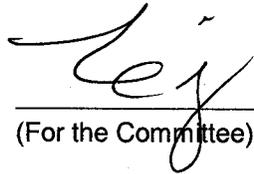
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TABLED BILL

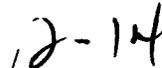
The **SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** TABLED SB 134, by motion, on **Wednesday, January 31, 2007**.



(For the Committee)



(Secretary of the Senate)

_____, 
(Time) (Date)

February 14, 2007

Cj Johnson, Secretary

Phone: 44-4762



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TABLED BILL

The **SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** TABLED SB 191, by motion, on **Wednesday, January 31, 2007**.



(For the Committee)



(Secretary of the Senate)

_____, 1-31
(Time) (Date)

January 31, 2007

Cj Johnson, Secretary

Phone: 44-4762

10-1 EAP Voted No

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TABLED BILL

The **SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** TABLED SB 240, by motion, on **Wednesday, January 31, 2007**.



(For the Committee)



(Secretary of the Senate)

_____, 1-31

(Time) (Date)

January 31, 2007

Cj Johnson, Secretary

Phone: 44-4762

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TABLED BILL

The **SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** TABLED SB 304, by motion, on **Wednesday, January 31, 2007.**



(For the Committee)



(Secretary of the Senate)

_____, 1-31
(Time) (Date)

January 31, 2007

Cj Johnson, Secretary

Phone: 44-4762

VV 9-2 w/ Aquires & Ryan Vote NO

SENATE PROXY FORM

According to Senate Rule 30-70 (13) (f), a committee member may vote by proxy using a standard form.

PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator Verdell Jackson

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate Business, Labor

+ Economic Affairs Committee

held on 1/31, 2007.

SB 134 - YES TO TABLE (Requested by sponsor)

SB 191 - YES TO TABLE

SB 204 - YES TO AMENDMENT (SB 20405-21^m)
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SENATOR
STATE OF MONTANA

SB 209 - YES TO AMENDMENT SB 020901
YES TO AMENDMENT SB 020902
YES TO BILL - YES UNANIMOUS

Montana State Senate



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The Big Sky Country

January 30, 2007

Senator Vicki Cocchiarella
Chairwoman, Business and Labor

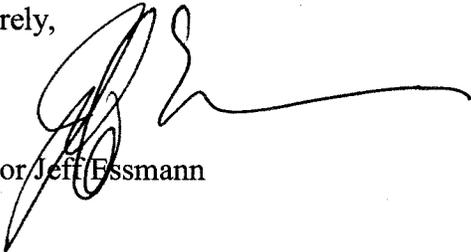
Re: SB 134 Optional Unemployment Insurance Participation

Dear Senator Cocchiarella:

In adherence with Senate Rules, I am writing to request that you table Senate Bill 134. Subsequent to the drafting and introduction of the bill it was discovered that a federal law would prohibit this bill from achieving its desired effect.

In the interest of the efficiency of your committee and the Senate, I would request that you table SB 134. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Senator Jeff Essmann

JE/kr

January 24, 2007

Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella
Chairperson
Business, Labor And Economic Affairs Committee

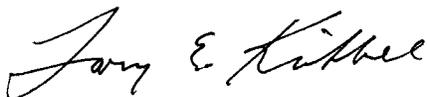
Dear Senator Cocchiarella:

During today's hearing before the committee on SB 234, the fair access to basic property and casualty insurance bill, there was reference made to communication, or lack of communication, between the State Auditor's office and members of the insurance industry regarding property insurance availability issues. In testimony I referenced the fact that I have had on occasion conversations with Department of Insurance staff regarding property insurance matters.

I want to stress to you and members of the Committee that those conversations have occurred strictly in passing and only in visiting with Department staff on other issues. I have never been asked by Department staff to attend a meeting where property insurance availability issues were a principle agenda item. I have not heard from my client that any member company has been formally asked to discuss issues related to property insurance availability, although that could have occurred without my knowledge.

As you discuss the bill in executive session please understand that my client wants to be part of a solution if there is indeed a problem of property insurance availability in Montana. If SB 234 results in a call for a study of property insurance you can be assured that our association and member company resources will be at the disposal of the State Auditor's office and for any legislative forum that may be assembled.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Committee on this important matter.



Larry E. Kibbee
Representing
Property Casualty Insurance Association of America (PCIAA)