

The House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

82nd Legislature

March 15, 2012

10:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on February 22, 2012, the House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Jackson, Jim, at 10:07 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Jackson, Jim; Lewis; Davis, Sarah; Hartnett; Madden; Raymond; Scott; and Thompson.

A quorum was present.

Interim Charge: The issuance of a Protective Order without a finding of family violence

Study the potential effects on victims of family and domestic violence in the judicial process if courts are allowed to issue agreed protective orders without a finding of violence.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Castro now present.)

(Representative Bohac now present.)

Interim Charge: Discrepancies in Guardianship & Child Custody Statutes

Study and make recommendations regarding the discrepancies in guardianship and child custody statutes. Review potential solutions to the problems surrounding "arbitrary and capricious" findings by trial court judges.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

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At 12:33 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Jackson, Jim, Chair

Kari King, Clerk