

BUDGET REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the 2023 Interim

September 20, 2023

Call to Order and Roll Call

The 4th meeting of the Budget Review Subcommittee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Environmental Protection was held on September 20, 2023, at 9:00 AM in Room 154 of the Capitol Annex. Senator Gary Boswell, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Senator Gary Boswell Co-Chair; Representative Chris Fugate Co-Chair; Representatives Russell Webber, Chad Aull, Mark Hart, and Matt Lockett.

Guests: Senator Whitney Westerfield.

LRC Staff: Joseph Holt, Kevin Newton, Sara Rome, and Amie Elam.

The minutes from the August 2, 2023 meeting were approved by voice vote.

AN ACT related to consumer data privacy.

Senator Whitney Westerfield provided a presentation informing the subcommittee of legislation he plans to file in the 2024 Regular Session relating to consumer data privacy.

In response to a question from Representative Aull, Senator Westerfield said that the entity, referred to as "controller" in the bill, is the company that a consumer is doing business with. He stated that threshold requirements define a "customer" as a one-to-one relationship.

In response to a question from Representative Lockett, Senator Westerfield said that it would be nearly impossible to pass legislation where consumers would opt into data sharing. He said the business community would strongly oppose legislation that puts consumers in the driver's seat.

In response to a question from Representative Webber, Senator Westerfield said that the 25,000 consumer threshold was a compromise number. He added that he believes the threshold should be one customer.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 A.M.