2018 WYOMING LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FINAL REPORT

The Wyoming Legislative Budget Session is not quite over, but our bills are finished. Following is a list of the bills that Wyoming REALTORS were watching. If you click on the bill number, it will take you to the latest version of the bill on the Wyoming Legislative website. This is the version that passed with all amendments incorporated. It may be quite different from what the original bill was. If you have questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (307) 851-1191 or email me at L@wyoming.com.

<u>HB0013</u> Municipal extraterritorial jurisdiction-repeal.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to municipalities; repealing and removing certain extraterritorial jurisdiction asserted by municipalities; providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Support

STATUS: Introduced 56-2-2, referred to the Corporations Committee. Recommended Do Pass, passed Committee of the Whole with an amendment and passed 2nd reading on 2/23/18. Passed third and final reading in the House, 47-11. Referred to the Senate Corporations Committee, recommended do pass, 4-1. Placed on General File in the Senate. DID NOT HEAR ON GENERAL FILE.... DEAD!

HB0014 Municipal jurisdiction.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to municipalities; restricting extraterritorial jurisdiction asserted by a municipality; specifying procedures for a municipality to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction; specifying applicability; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Support

STATUS: Introduced 56-3-1, referred to the Corporations Committee. Recommended Do Pass, passed Committee of the Whole amended, passed 2nd reading on 2/23/18. Passed third and final reading in the House, 50-8-2. Hugely amended in the Senate Corporations committee to become the compromise bill between the Cities and Counties. Passed the committee and will be on general file in the Senate. PASSED THE SENATE AS AMENDED 26-4 AND CONCURRED BY THE HOUSE 57-3. Waiting for the Governor's signature

SF0006 Real estate exemption restoration.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health & Social Services Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to worker's compensation and unemployment insurance; exempting real estate professionals from coverage as specified; and providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Support

STATUS: Introduced 29-0-1, referred to the Labor Committee, recommended DO PASS, Passed General File and 2nd reading, 3rd and final reading in the Senate will be on Monday, February 19th. Passed the Senate 30-0, referred to the House Corporations Committee, recommended Do Pass. Passed Committee of the Whole and

2nd reading in the House. Heard for the 3rd and final time in the House on Monday, March 5th, PASSED THE HOUSE WITH NO AMENDMENTS 58-0-2 excused, SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON MARCH 9TH.

SF0042 Professional licensing-applicant criminal records.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health & Social Services Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to professions and occupations; clarifying requirements for licensing, certification and registration related to a person's background and criminal record; requiring any disqualifying offense to relate to the profession or occupation or the ability to practice the profession or occupation; providing considerations for licensing boards regarding applicable convictions; requiring professional licensing boards to review their rules for consistency with this act; and providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Support with amendments

STATUS: Introduced 28-1-1, referred to the Labor Committee, recommended DO PASS amended, Passed General File. Passed the Senate 27-2-1. Referred to the House Labor Committee, recommended Do Pass. Passed Committee of the Whole and 2nd reading, passed third reading with amendments 41-19. Senate did NOT concur with House amendments, conference committee met and finally the House and Senate agreed. Passed and off the Governor's desk.

SF0089 Local government distributions.

Sponsored by: Joint Appropriations Committee

AN ACT relating to local government funding; providing funding to cities and towns; providing funding to counties; providing local government funding formulas and distributions; providing legislative intent; providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Monitor

STATUS: Introduced 29-1, referred to the Appropriations Committee. Recommended DO PASS, passed General File and 2nd reading, 3rd and final reading in the Senate will be Monday, February 19th. Passed the Senate 30-0. Referred to the House Appropriations Committee. Recommended Do Pass, Passed the House 56-3-1 amended. Concurred by the Senate. Signed by the Governor, effective date 07/01/2018.

SF0113 Community development districts.

Sponsored by: Nethercott

AN ACT relating to cities and towns; authorizing municipalities to create community development districts as specified; specifying requirements; providing definitions; specifying duties and powers of community development districts and district boards of directors; authorizing assessments; specifying duties of municipalities; amending definitions; and providing for an effective date.

REALTOR® POSITION: Support

STATUS: Introduced 28-1-1, referred to the Corporations Committee. Recommended a Do Pass with amendments. Passed Committee of the Whole and 2nd reading in the Senate, passed 3rd and final reading in the Senate, 23-7. Referred to the House Corporations Committee, recommended Do Pass. Placed on General File in the House. Heard in passed Committee of the Whole, passed 2nd reading and failed on third reading in the House. The sponsor is hoping to work on the legislation through the interim to educate more of the Legislature. It was a very new concept to many, an unfortunately the debate got twisted between the haves and have nots. DEAD

School capital construction-constitutional amendment.

Sponsored by: Scott

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution to transfer responsibility to construct school facilities to school districts; to provide for specified mandatory and optional state funding mechanisms; and to provide a ballot statement.

REALTOR® POSITION: Monitor

STATUS: Introduced 30-0, referred to the Revenue Committee. Recommended Do Pass. Passed Committee of the Whole in the Senate. Passed 2nd reading and 3rd reading in the Senate in an amended form 21-7-2. Referred to the Education Committee in the House. Scheduled for a hearing on March 2nd if time permits. No report from committee prior to Committee of the Whole deadline. DEAD.