

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 11, 2024

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Young, Representatives Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Scott, Andrus, Skaug, Alfieri, Allgood, Crane(12), Gannon, Nash

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Crane (13) called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

RS 30864: **Rep. Price** presented **RS 30864** explaining this Joint Resolution repeals Section 5 of Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Idaho which prohibits sectarian appropriations. She further explained there are recent court rulings that nullify this prohibition.

In response to committee questions **Rep. Price** explained there are two US Supreme Court Rulings which nullify this prohibition, as was explained to her and **Senator Lenney** the Co-sponsor of this Resolution, by the Idaho Attorney General. She explained this would prevent refusal of funding of private schools on a religious basis where money has been allocated to other non-religious private schools, giving the example of scholarship and grant funding.

MOTION: **Rep. Alfieri** made a motion to introduce **RS 30864. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:07 AM.

Representative Crane (13)
Chair

Kennedy Jones
Secretary