

MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2019

TIME: Upon Adjournment of the Floor

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman Shepherd, Representatives Gestrin, Kauffman, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, DeMordaunt, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Ricks, Wintrow, Gannon, Davis, Rubel

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Youngblood, Davis, Rubel

GUESTS: Jason Kreizenbeck, Lobby Idaho; Mark Duffin, ID Sugarbeet Growers; R. Hobdey-Sanchez, ITD; Jeff Miles, LHTAC

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 12:49 p.m.

H 167: **Roy Eiguren**, representing Amalgamated Sugar Company, presented **H 167**. This legislation amends Idaho Code to eliminate specific pilot project routes as established by the Legislature allowing vehicles up to 129,000 pounds gross weight to operate on certain state highways. **Mr. Eiguren** said including the routes in Idaho Code is no longer necessary.

MOTION: **Rep. Kauffman** made a motion to send **H 167** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 168: **Roy Eiguren** presented **H 168**. He said this bill establishes new processes and fees for local authorities and the Idaho Transportation Department to designate routes and issue permits allowing vehicles of prescribed weights to access highways and streets under their jurisdiction. The bill helps Idaho shippers solve issues that arise when trucks between 105,000 GVW and 129,000 GVW need to access highways and streets under local jurisdiction. It provides an industry-funded solution that will help shippers move freight and continue to contribute to Idaho's economy.

MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to send **H 168** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary