

MINUTES  
**SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Friday, January 24, 2020

**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room WW55

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairwoman Lodge, Vice Chairman Harris, Senators Hill, Winder, Vick, Anthon, Souza, Stennett, and Buckner-Webb

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None

**NOTE:** The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

**CONVENED:** **Chairwoman Lodge** called the Senate State Affairs Committee (Committee) to order at 8:01 a.m.

**RS 27220** **RELATING TO BINGO AND RAFFLES** to propose revisions to multiple statutes for clarification purposes and to reduce the size of the board and number of meeting per year.

**Jeffrey Anderson**, Director of the Idaho Lottery Commission presented **RS 27220** which modifies and updates Idaho Code § 67, Chapter 77, the statutes regarding charitable bingos and raffles. **Mr. Anderson** introduced Tony Pittz, Director of Lottery Security, Angela Vitek, Charitable Gaming Coordinator, and Becky Schroeder, Chief Operating Officer.

**Mr. Anderson** said Title 67 was created in 1992 and established the Bingo Raffle Advisory Board (Board) for the Lottery Commission. The Board provides oversight of charitable and non-profit organizations that conduct bingo games and raffles.

**Mr. Anderson** said in 2018 there were over \$5.5 million in distributions made to charitable organizations in Idaho, a 66 percent increase from the \$3.3 million in 2010. He provided examples of some of the issues they have experienced in the past, and why these changes are necessary.

**MOTION:** **Senator Anthon** moved to send **RS 27220** to print. **Senator Buckner-Webb** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**RS 27210** **RELATING TO VETERANS SERVICES** to authorize a change of procedure when making fund transfers from certain accounts and repeals certain conflicting language.

**Marv Hagedorn**, Administrator of the Idaho Division of Veterans Services presented **RS 27210**. **Mr. Hagedorn** said this legislation would change Idaho Code § 65-704 to allow savings revenue to be swept into the Veterans Recognition Income Fund to provide matching grant funds. These funds will be made available for use on new construction, replacement, remodel, and life safety projects for the Idaho State Veterans Homes, cemeteries, as well as other federal grant programs.

**MOTION:** **Senator Stennett** moved to send **RS 27210** to print. **Senator Souza** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**RS 27434** **A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION** to establish March 14 as Idaho Women's Day.

**Janet Gallimore**, Executive Director of the Idaho State Historical Society presented **RS 27434**, a concurrent resolution establishing March 14, in perpetuity, as Idaho Women's Day. **Ms. Gallimore** introduced Hannalore Hein, State Historian, and Dax Chizum, Fiscal Officer. She said March 14 was chosen because it occurs during National Women's History Month. It also marks the centennial anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment that gave women the right to vote, Idaho being the fourth state to grant this right.

**MOTION:** **Senator Souza** moved to send **RS 27434** to print. **Senator Stennett** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** **Senator Vick** moved to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2020. **Senator Stennett** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**Senator Anthon** moved to approve the Minutes of January 15, 2020. **Senator Buckner-Webb** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business at this time, **Chairwoman Lodge** adjourned the meeting at 8:24 a.m.

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Senator Lodge  
Chair

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Twyla Melton  
Secretary

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Denise B. McNeil  
Assistant to the Assistant Majority  
Leader