

IDAHO LEGISLATURE JOINT FINANCE - APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Friday, February 10, 2023

In recent weeks, questions have arisen regarding the correct rules and procedures to be used to conduct business in the Idaho Legislature's Joint Finance and Appropriation Committee. House and Senate Majority leadership and the co-chairs of the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee have discussed how to best comply with rules and the interpretation of Committee custom, statute and authority.

House and Senate Majority leadership have determined to utilize the joint voting procedure used in the past while also announcing the votes of House and Senate committees separately. If a bill receives majority support from the joint committee and does not receive majority support from the House or Senate committee, the bill will be sent to the house from which the majority of members did not vote in the affirmative.

This process acknowledges that the authority of the joint committee is derived from members of the senate finance committee and members of the house appropriations committee. The joint committee will then reassess the situation in the interim.

Sincerely,

Senator C. Scott Grow IFAC Co-Chair

Representative Wendy Horman JFAC Co-Chair

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