MINUTES HOUSE REVENUE & TAXATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, January 30, 2024

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Monks, Vice Chairman Cannon, Representatives Dixon(1), Manwaring, Weber, Shepherd, Cheatum, Cornilles, Durrant, Ehlers, Mickelsen, Pickett, Raymond, Wroten, Necochea, Burns

ABSENT/ None EXCUSED:

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 Monks called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.

- MOTION: Rep. Burns made a motion to approve the minutes from January 29, 2024. Motion carried by voice vote.
- **RS 31056: Rep. Ehlers** presented **RS 31056**, stating this proposed legislation closes a loophole allowing government to take surplus proceeds in excess of debts owed. Rep. Ehlers stated a Supreme Court case has ruled government can not retain the surplus proceeds.
- MOTION: Rep. Weber made a motion to introduce RS 31056. Motion carried by voice vote.
- **RS 31059: Rep. Cannon** presented **RS 31059**, stating the proposed legislation would reduce the amount of interest a taxpayer is required to pay during an audit. Rep. Cannon explained when the Idaho State Tax Commission is performing their required duties during an audit, interest will not be accruing. In response to committee questions, Rep. Cannon pointed out if it is determined the taxpayer has committed tax fraud, there are significant penalties applied.
- MOTION: Rep. Picket made a motion to introduce RS 31059.

Responding to committee questions, **Rep. Cannon** reminded the committee this legislation did pass the House last year by a wide margin but was amended in the Senate by adding unrelated legislation to it, and by so doing, caused it to not move forward.

- VOTE ONChairman Monks called for a vote on the motion to introduce RS 31059. MotionMOTION:carried by voice vote.
- **RS 31077: Rep. Pickett** presented **RS 31077**, proposed legislation to codify the practice to not assess sales tax on auxiliary grain equipment.
- MOTION: Rep. Durrant made a motion to introduce RS 31077. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman Monks informed the committee **Rep. Horman** was unable to present at this time and **Sen. Den Hartog** would take her place presenting **RS 31015**.

- **RS 31015:** Sen. Den Hartog presented **RS 31015** stating, this proposed legislation is the Idaho Parental Choice Tax Credit which would provide a refundable tax credit for a parent that incurs qualified education expenses for an eligible student. The proposed legislation also includes a grant portion for lower income residents to participate. Sen. Den Hartog shared the refundable tax credit portion has a cap of \$40 million and does not take funds from the Public Schools' budget. Because a cap is set within the proposed legislation, it would need to go through the legislative process to be change.
- MOTION: Rep. Mickelson made a motion to introduce RS 31015.

In response to committee questions, **Sen. Den Hartog** stated this legislation reduces the amount of money collected by the state and she is not aware of programs operating similar to this proposed program.

- ROLL CALLRep. Cheatum requested a roll call vote on RS 31015. Motion carried by a vote
of 13 AYE and 3 NAY. Voting in favor of the motion: Reps. Monks, Cannon,
Dixon(1), Manwaring, Weber, Shepherd, Cornilles, Durrant, Ehlers, Mickelsen,
Pickett, Raymond and Burns. Voting in opposition to the motion: Reps.
Cheatum, Wroten and Necochea.
- H 410:
 Rep. Cannon presented H 410, legislation to codify policy of the Idaho State Tax Commission by requiring members of a recognized Indian tribe, who live outside of Idaho and work outside of a reservation, to pay income tax. Rep. Cannon stated H 410 would also not require members of a recognized Indian tribe, who live outside of Idaho and work on a reservation, to pay income tax.
- **MOTION: Rep. Mickelson** made a motion to send **H 410** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

Responding to committee questions, **Rep. Cannon**, emphasized being a member of a recognized tribe is a required part of this legislation and reminded the committee that income earned on a reservation is not taxed but income earned off of a reservation is taxed.

Tyrel Stevenson, Legislative Director, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, testified **in support** of **H 410**, stating this legislation does not create a new exemption and the U.S. Supreme Court set precedent regarding this practice.

- VOTE ON Chairman Monks called for a vote on the motion to send H 410 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation. Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Cannon will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- **ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 A.M.

Representative Monks Chair

Lisa Hendricks Secretary