

MINUTES
HOUSE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 23, 2024

TIME: 8:30 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW05

MEMBERS: Chairman Weber, Representatives Monks, Dixon(1), Manwaring, Rubel, Necochea, Burns

**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 Weber called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Burns** made a motion to introduce the minutes of the February 19, 2024 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31487: **Rep. Tanner** presented **RS 31487**, which replaces **RS 31410**. **Rep. Tanner** explained it was changed to also include using precincts for determining countywide highway district boundaries.

MOTION: **Rep. Dixon (1)** made a motion to introduce **RS 31487**.

In answer to a question from the committee, **Rep. Tanner** explained how the districts could possibly be divided to create better representation without violating the one person, one vote principle. It may result in cities partnering with others to account for their share of representation.

**VOTE ON
MOTION:** **Chairman Weber** called for a vote on the motion to introduce **RS 31487**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Rubel, Necochea** and **Burns** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**.

RS 31476: **Rep. Palmer** presented **RS 31476**, relating to the Strategic Initiatives Grant Program and how it will be administered. This RS also changes the criteria for larger urban areas receiving grants, which will require a 20% match of their funds per each grant.

MOTION: **Rep. Burns** made a motion to introduce **RS 31476**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31451: **Rep. Furniss** presented **RS 31451**. This proposed legislation clarifies building code requirements for multifamily units up to two units on the same side (fourplex) by not requiring sprinklers when a two-hour fire wall is constructed between the units. It also requires the installation of a heat detection device in garages of new-build, single and multi-family residences. **Rep. Furniss** stated the RS is proposed by the fire marshal in conjunction with the home builders association.

In answer to questions from the committee, **Rep. Furniss** explained the proposed legislation would standardize the proposed sprinkler system requirement statewide, as it currently is not required by all counties.

MOTION: **Rep. Burns** made a motion to introduce **RS 31451**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31454: **Rep. Holtzclaw** presented **RS 31454**. This proposed legislation adds a definition for a "service only facility" to the motor vehicles act, which clarifies a dealer may have a stand alone service facility without engaging in the sale, lease, trade or display of new or used motor vehicles and is not considered a dealer or dealership.

In answer to a question from the community, **Rep. Holtzclaw** stated Idaho law does not prevent this; however, the proposed law will alleviate any confusion that a dealer must be on site.

MOTION: **Rep. Monks** made a motion to introduce **RS 31454. Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31456: **Rep. Erickson** presented **RS 31456**. This proposed legislation prevents landlords of hotels and short-term rentals from evicting tenants believed to be engaging in illegal drug activity on the premises without reasonable proof.

MOTION: **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to introduce **RS 31456. Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31463: **Rep. Mitchell** presented **RS 31463** and explained it is a replacement for **H 546** and fixes some of the concerns brought forward when the bill was introduced.

In answer to a question from the committee, **Rep. Mitchell** stated Tesla has not provided input but discussions can continue once the proposed legislation is introduced.

MOTION: **Rep. Monks** made a motion to introduce **RS 31563. Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31483: **Rep. Manwaring** presented **RS 31483**. This proposed legislation prohibits the state from creating a corporation or acting as an incorporator of any corporation without authorization by the legislature. He explained the state can authorize an independent public body politic and corporate as long as it carries out public purpose, has no private party with management control, or lacks the potential for private parties to change the structure. It also requires some self reporting. Any improper state corporations will have an opportunity to reform or disassociate as a non-profit.

MOTION: **Rep. Dixon (1)** made a motion to introduce **RS 31483.**

In answer to a question from the committee, **Rep. Manwaring** explained work has been ongoing to identify state corporations and will have a list to share at the bill hearing.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

Representative Weber
Chair

Wendy Carver-Herbert
Secretary