LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Sixty-second Legislature First Regular Session - 2013

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO UNDERTAKE AND COMPLETE A STUDY OF THE PROCESS OF THE STATE ACQUIRING TITLE TO AND CONTROL OF PUBLIC LANDS CONTROLLED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, accurate information is needed before the Idaho Legislature can properly address the issue of the management and control of public lands now controlled by the federal government in the State of Idaho should title to those public lands be transferred to the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, a process for the State of Idaho to receive title to public lands from the United States and a process of how the state may transfer title to any public lands that it receives needs to be developed; and

WHEREAS, management priorities on public lands need to be developed for both the State of Idaho and local entities; and

WHEREAS, legislation may need to be drafted to accomplish the above purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislative Council is authorized to appoint a committee to undertake and complete a study of the process for the State of Idaho to acquire title to and control of public lands controlled by the federal government. The Legislative Council shall determine the number of legislators and membership from each house appointed to the committee and shall authorize the committee to receive input, advice and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not members of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall issue a progress report to the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature and the committee shall report its findings, recommendations and proposed legislation, if any, to the First Regular Session of the Sixty-third Idaho Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nonlegislative members of the committee may be appointed by the cochairs of the committee who are appointed by the Legislative Council. Nonlegislative members of the advisory committee shall not be reimbursed from legislative funds for per diem, mileage or other expenses and shall not have voting privileges regarding the committee's recommendations or proposed legislation.