

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Monday, February 25, 2013
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW40
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Loertscher, Vice Chairman Batt, Representative(s) Anderson(1), Andrus, Luker, Crane, Palmer, Sims, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, McMillan, Monks, Packer, Smith, Gannon, Woodings
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Anderson(1)
- GUESTS:** Mark Reinhart, Idaho Calling, You Tube Channel; Raeleen Welton, Westerberg and Associates; Jim Lowe, Food Producers; Holly Koole, IPAA; Joel Teuber, FOP.
- Chairman Loertscher** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- RS 22044C1:** **Rep. Monks** presented **RS 22044C1**, proposed legislation clarifying the language specifying that firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition made in Idaho are not subject to the federal government's commerce power.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Luker** made a motion to introduce **RS 22044C1** with the following changes: on Page 2, delete lines 46-49 and the word "such" on line 1, Page 3. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- Chairman Loertscher** turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Batt**.
- RS 22080:** **Rep. Patterson** presented **RS 22080**, proposed legislation which adds to existing law to provide for certain prohibited acts regarding firearms by public employees and officers of governmental entities, to provide penalties and to establish that certain laws are unenforceable in Idaho by state and local government officials, agents or employees. He stated the legislation is to protect law enforcement in Idaho.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Crane** made a motion to introduce **RS 22080**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- H 183:** **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 183**, a bill that amends the language in Title 18, Section 50-308 to reflect the current law regarding municipal powers.
- Mark Reinhart**, representing himself, stated he is in support of the legislation but that it doesn't address the issue of people with mental illnesses carrying concealed weapons.
- In response to committee questions, **Mr. Reinhart** stated he believes doctors should spend more time with their patients and come to an agreement with law enforcement on other ways in which mentally ill people can defend themselves.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Packer** made a motion to send **H 183** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 192:** **Rep. Palmer** presented **H 192**, a bill regarding an enhancement to concealed weapons permits. He stated almost 30 other states have legislation similar to the bill.
- In response to committee questions, **Rep. Palmer** stated the legislation will enhance the training by adding a requirement of eight (8) hours and 98 live shots. He stated this legislation is not to replace the existing concealed weapons training but to provide an enhancement option for those who want their permits to be recognized in other states.

Allen Baker, Idaho Sports Shooters Alliance, stated that he supports the legislation because currently Idaho's concealed weapons permits are not recognized in most other states which is an inconvenience for avid shooters who travel to other states and have had to apply for permits in those states as well as in Idaho. He stated this legislation would add a convenience for those people so they do not have to have more than one permit.

MOTION: **Rep. Monks** made a motion to send **H 192** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Representative Loertscher
Chair

Kasey Perkins
Secretary