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Approved by the Committee
Urban Renewal Interim Committee
Thursday, February 18, 2016
4:30 P.M.
House Wing - EW40
Boise, Idaho

The meeting was called to order by Co-chair Representative Rick Youngblood at 4:32 p.m. Members present were: Co-chair Senator Dan Johnson and Co-chair Representative Rick Youngblood; Senator Maryanne Jordan; Representatives Kathleen Sims, Robert Anderst, Lance Clow, and Hy Kloc. Staff present were: Mike Nugent, Keith Bybee, and Ana Lara from the Legislative Services Office. Senators Jeff Siddoway, Chuck Winder, and Mary Souza were absent and excused.

Others in attendance included: Ryan Armbruster and Meghan Conrad, Elam and Burke; Carlie Foster, Lobby Idaho, LLC; Pam Beaumont and Jeff Souza, Garden City URA; and John Evans and Leon Duce, Association of Idaho Cities.

Note: Copies of presentations, handouts, and reference materials can be found at: www.legislature.idaho.gov and are also on file at the Legislative Services Office.

Representative Anderst moved that the minutes from February 10, 2016, be approved and Senator Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

Co-chair Youngblood proceeded to review the draft and pointed to page 2, line 46 that describes election options for cities or counties that would like to proceed with that option. In discussing page 9, line 35, Section 50-2903a, Idaho Code, Mr. Nugent clarified that this new section identifies what the exceptions are for modifications. Co-chair Youngblood directed the committee to page 12, Section 50-2905a, Idaho Code, where it states that if more than 51 percent of tax increment financing is being used then a vote must be requested.

Representative Clow asked if the urban renewal agencies would have to resubmit their plans to the Tax Commission. Representative Anderst explained that if an urban renewal agency has already submitted a plan, and the plan has not been modified, then that plan is sufficient. However, he said, if that plan has been modified then they will need to provide the most current version to the Tax Commission. Representative Kloc asked if the Tax Commission had created the language on page 12, Section 50-2913, Idaho Code. Mr. Nugent replied that he had originally created the language, but that Mr. Dornfest from the Tax Commission had reviewed the draft and had offered suggestions to the language in this section.

The mayor of Garden City, Mr. John Evans, offered testimony to the committee in support of this draft.

Representative Anderst motioned to rescind draft DRMPN315 and replace it with the current draft DRMPN344 with a recommendation that it move forward. Senator Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

Senator Jordan, Representative Sims, Anderst, Clow, and Kloc voiced their gratitude for all the hard work from the committee and especially the Co-chairs, and offered their support for this draft. The Co-chairs thanked the committee members and LSO staff for all their hard work. The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.