

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, January 13, 2015
TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Loertscher, Vice Chairman Batt, Representatives Andrus, Luker, Crane, Palmer, Sims, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, McMillan, Bateman, Cheatham, Nielsen, Smith, Jordan, McCrostie, Wintrow
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: Rosemary Demond, self; Lori Hickman, self.

Chairman Loertscher called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Chairman Loertscher welcomed the returning members back and the new members as well. He also encouraged everyone to get their legislation in early so they have more of a chance of getting a hearing.

Vice Chairman Batt was recognized for the purposes of coordinating the Administrative Rules that are assigned to the committee.

She stated that the **Public Utilities Commission Rules, State Liquor Division Rules, and Department of Administration, Capitol Mall Parking Rules** will be sent to a subcommittee to review and the members will be announced at the next meeting.

She also advised that the full committee will be hearing the **Idaho State Police, Idaho State Racing Commission Rules, and the remaining Department of Administration Rules.**

RS 23308: **Rep. McDonald** introduced **Ilah Hickman**, a student at Les Bois Junior High, to present **RS 23308**, proposed legislation to designate the Idaho Giant Salamander as the State Amphibian of the State of Idaho. She stated the Idaho Giant Salamander lives almost exclusively in Idaho and is the best candidate for the state amphibian.

MOTION: **Rep. Nielsen** made a motion to introduce **RS 23308. Motion carried by voice vote.**

In support of the motion, **Rep. Bateman** stated the proposed legislation is an educational issue that should be supported.

Chairman Loertscher assigned the proof readers of the meeting minutes.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Representative Loertscher
Chair

Kasey Winder
Secretary