

MINUTES  
**SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, January 15, 2015

**TIME:** 1:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** Room WW53

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Brackett, Vice Chairman Nonini, Senators Keough, Winder, Hagedorn, Vick, Den Hartog, Buckner-Webb, and Lacey

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None

**NOTE:** The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

**CONVENED:** **Chairman Brackett** called the first meeting of the Senate Transportation Committee (Committee) to order at 1:30 p.m. With a quorum present, **Chairman Brackett** welcomed the returning and new members of Committee as well as the audience. He invited each Committee member and the Committee secretary to introduce themselves. Each did so by stating their legislative district and their non-legislative occupation.

**COMMITTEE PAGE:** Following introductions, **Chairman Brackett** invited Paul Kennedy, the Committee page for the first six weeks of the Legislative Session, to the podium to introduce himself. **Mr. Kennedy** said he was a senior at Timberline High School in Boise. He was the only member of his family born and raised in Idaho. His interests included art, literature and politics. After graduating high school, **Mr. Kennedy** said he will attend Vassar College in New York state. **Mr. Kennedy** indicated he was pleased to be a Senate page and stood for questions from the Committee.

**Senator Vick** asked why he chose Vassar. **Mr. Kennedy** said that his father was from New York which meant he had extended family there. He had also visited the campus during the summer, liked it and thought it would be a good fit for him.

**Senator Winder** asked about his enjoyment of art. **Mr. Kennedy** said he painted with oils and drew portraits in charcoal. **Senator Winder** invited him to bring some of his artwork to the Senate. There were no further questions. **Chairman Brackett** thanked Mr. Kennedy.

**PASSED THE GAVEL:** Chairman Brackett passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Nonini to discuss the process by which the Committee would review transportation administrative rules.

**RULES REVIEW:** **Vice Chairman Nonini** said there were only eight rules this year: two from the Idaho State Police (ISP), two from the Idaho Tax Commission (ITC), and four from the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD). After discussion with the Chairman, **Vice Chairman Nonini** suggested the Committee review the administrative rules one time at a hearing of the full Committee on January 20, 2015. He said experts from each of those departments would present their respective administrative rules to be reviewed. **Vice Chairman Nonini** added that the House Transportation and Defense Committee was planning to review these rules in the same manner. He asked if there were any questions.

**Chairman Brackett** offered that it would be more efficient for the presenters to have to appear before the Committee only once.

**Senator Keough** agreed with the review proposal. Her concern was with the tax rules that were being incorporated by reference. She wanted assurance that details of those documents would be included in the presentations. There were no further questions.

**Vice Chairman Nonini** reminded the members to bring their administrative rules packet with them to the next meeting.

**PASSED THE  
GAVEL:**

Vice Chairman Nonini returned the gavel to Chairman Brackett.

**ADJOURNED:**

**Chairman Brackett** asked if there were any questions or comments from the Committee; then he asked for input from the audience. Hearing no comments, **Chairman Brackett** adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

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Senator Brackett  
Chair

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Gaye Bennett  
Secretary