

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, January 28, 2015
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room WW02
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: The sign-in sheets will be retained with the minutes in the committee secretary's office until the end of session. Following the end of session, the sign-in sheets will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Loertscher called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

H 002: Continuation of the meeting of January 27, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Jill Gill, self; **MaryAnn McGrory**, self; **Barbara Harrison-Condon**, Pastor, Lutheran Church; **Patricia Truman**, self; **Donna Yule**, self; **Aiden Warrior**, self; **Susan Bolen**, self; **Catrina McKeenals**, self; **Alecia Clegg**, self; **Steve Martin**, self; **Joan Koffman**, self; **Reverend Deborah Graham**, Priest, Episcopal Church; **Emily Sieracki Van Hise**, Priest, St. Michael's Episcopal Church; **Andrew Van Hise**, self; **Robert Spencer**, self; **Bill Rath**, self; **John Fritz**, self; **Madeline Lee Taylor**, self; **Judy Cross**, self; **Rebecca Johnson**, self; **Charlie Collins**, self; **Hanna Brass-Greer**, self; **Leslie Mattson-Brooks**, self; **Mistie Tolman**, self; **Emily Shannon**, self; **James Blakely**, self; **Gretchen Bates**, self; **Stephen Cabin**, self; **Molly O'Shea**, self; **Jade Walker**, self; **Reverend Lynn Cameron**, self; **Becky Carson-Eisenman**, self; **Charity Strong**, self; **Michael Reinick**, self; **Joseph Schueller**, self; **Jordan Brady**, self; **Bruce Delaney**, self; **Deborah Ferguson**, self; **Kate Brusse**, self; **Laura Alvarez-Schrag**, self; **Brian Peck**, self, spoke in support of H 002. They were of the opinion that the legislation would protect the LGBT community from religious bullies.

Kathy Griesmyer, Executive Director, ACLU, spoke in support of H 002. She stated that currently in Idaho a person could be fired and/or denied services because of being gay or transgender. She stated this law provides equal protections to all. She said many cities and twenty-one states have already passed this type of legislation.

Sterling Mortenson, self; **Aaron Apt**, self; **Jo Allison-Smith**, self; **Joe Anderson**, self, spoke in opposition to H 002. They were of the opinion that no one deserves the right to claim discrimination because they don't agree religiously.

ADJOURN: Due to time constraints, H 002 will be carried over to the meeting of January 28, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Representative Loertscher
Chair

Kasey Winder
Secretary