

MINUTES  
**HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015

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

**PLACE:** Room EW40

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman Shepherd, Representatives Wills, Bateman, Gestrin, Hixon, Kauffman, Packer, Youngblood, McDonald, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, King, Rudolph, Wintrow

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Wills

**GUESTS:** Dakota Moore, NRA-ILA, Christine Fisher, ITD, Steve Stokes, IDNG, Paul Boice, IDNG, Aaron Jenkins, Don Williams, ISTC, Suzanne Budge, SBS Associates, Mike Chakarun, ISTC

**Chairman Palmer** called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**RS 23216:** **Richard Turner**, Military Division, presented **RS 23216** regarding the Youth Challenge Program. This proposed legislation will remove the sunset clause which established the National Guard Youth Challenge Program. This program is intended to improve the education, life skills, and employment potential for Idaho students who have withdrawn from high school before completion.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Bateman** made a motion to introduce **RS 23216**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 23239:** **Richard Turner**, Military Division, presented **RS 23239** regarding the Military Justice Code. He explained the three parts of this proposed legislation. It updates the Idaho Code of Military Justice (ICMJ), which has not been updated since 1975, it brings consistency and uniformity by adopting the Model State Code of Military Justice to Idaho, and it resolves several gaps within the current ICMJ.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Monks** made a motion to introduce **RS 23239**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 23336:** **Rep. Kauffman** presented **RS 23336** regarding special fuels. This proposed legislation proposes to eliminate the gaseous fuel permit (decal) that allows owners of vehicles powered by gaseous fuels to pay a flat annual fee in lieu of paying fuel tax at the rate of 25 cents per energy, which is equivalent to a gallon of gasoline.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Shepherd** made a motion to introduce **RS 23336**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 23403:** **Paul Jagosh**, Idaho Fraternal Order of Police, presented **RS 23403** regarding the Officer Disability Act. The intent of this legislation is to provide a full salary to employees in certain dangerous occupations whom have been injured on the job. Mr. Jagosh explained this does not add any cost to tax payers. The money is taken out of a fine on misdemeanor and felony convictions.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Monks** made a motion to introduce **RS 23403**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**H 16:** **Rep. Dixon** presented **H 16** regarding Rifle Association License Plates. This bill establishes a special license plate for the Idaho Friends of the National Rifle Association. It provides a special plate option for people who wish to proudly note their association with the Idaho Friends of the National Rifle Association and helps firearm education and shooting sports thrive. The money raised from this plate will be allocated between the state highway account and the National Rifle Association Foundation Idaho State Grant Fund.

**Dakota Moore** , NRA-ILA, explained this program goes beyond what the National Rifle Association generally involves itself in. This is specifically to engage youth in outdoor activities, shooting sports, and to learn proper gun safety.

**MOTION:**

**Rep. Packer** made a motion to send **H 16** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Wintrow and Rep. King** requested they be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. Dixon** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**Chairman Palmer** brought a matter to the committee's attention an issue **Rep. Rudolph** had found with **H 14**. He was concerned that after there was sent from committee with a DO PASS, part of the code being eliminated included a provision that gives a customer coming in for repairs the right to a written estimate before that repair is done. Chairman Palmer wanted to give the members of the committee a chance to review **H 14** and look into the issue for themselves.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

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Representative Palmer  
Chair

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Amber Duke  
Secretary