

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 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:** Representative(s) Crane

GUESTS: Robin Nettinga, Idaho Education Association.

Chairman Loertscher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

RS 23353: **Rep. Chaney**, presented **RS 23353**, proposed legislation that amends the Sunshine Act to provide that PAC's have the same requirement as political candidates to report, within 48-hours, all contributions received over \$1,000 in the interim between the cutoff for the 7-day Pre-General report and Election Day. Avoids circumstances where the PAC's, due to the late nature of their contributions received, are able to spend large amounts of money toward initiatives and/or candidates without disclosing the source of their contributions prior to Election Day.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to introduce **RS 23353**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 23524C1: **Rep. Trujillo** presented **RS 23524C1**, proposed legislation to emphasize the rights of parents. She stated the legislation gives parents and legal guardians, who have the legal custody of minor children, their fundamental right to make a decision concerning the care, custody, education, and control of their children. The Idaho Supreme Court already grants this right, now we need to codify it into State law.

In response to committee questions, **Rep. Trujillo** stated she has spoken to the Idaho Attorney General's Office and the Department of Health and Welfare when drafting this legislation and it won't cause any problems with existing law.

MOTION: **Rep. Bateman** made a motion to introduce **RS 23524C1**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

Representative Loertscher
Chair

Kasey Winder
Secretary