

MINUTES  
**HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, March 09, 2015  
**TIME:** 1:30 or Upon Adjournment  
**PLACE:** Room EW05  
**MEMBERS:** Chairman Hartgen, Vice Chairman Anderson, Representatives Harris, Holtzclaw, Romrell, Chaney, Horman, Nielsen, Packer, Redman, King, Chew, Rudolph  
**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Horman  
**GUESTS:** Dave Barney, Mindy Montgomery, Tom Limbaugh, Woody Richards, Stephanie Butler, Industrial Commission; Jerry Deckard, ALC; C. Kelly Pearce, DBS

**Chairman Hartgen** called the meeting to order at 2:14 PM

**S 1001:** **Tom Limbaugh**, on behalf of the Industrial Commission presented **S 1001** to the committee. He stated the Idaho Code has not been amended to recognize OSHA. This legislation represents the practices of the Industrial Commission and the Division of Building Safety in how they have dealt with public safety inspections and programs over the past twenty five years. This bill clarifies the safety inspections and programs carried out by the Division of Building Safety. This bill transfers the authority to inspect political subdivisions per request and the administration of the Logging Safety Program from the Industrial Commission to the Division of Building Safety, which they have already been performing for years. It removes any question of what authority the state has over private industry workplace safety. This proposal identifies the continued use of the Industrial Commission Administration Fund to fund the Division of Building Safety's inspection of state owned or maintained buildings, public schools and the logging safety training program.

**Kelly Pearce** stated that this legislation is an example of negotiated rule making emphasizing no expansion of authority. This reinforces the process that has occurred for twenty five years.

In response to questions, **Mr. Limbaugh** explained there was no challenge just effort of the Industrial Commission. The state has no power over private employers but OSHA does, unless Idaho establishes an Idaho OSHA. Funding comes from the Industrial Commission. Loggers also endorse this legislation.

**Jerry Deckard** stated to the committee that this is a good bill and should be passed to the floor.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Nielsen** made a motion to send **S 1001** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Rudolph** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:42 PM

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Representative Hartgen  
Chair

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Heidi McKay  
Secretary