

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 18, 2015

**TIME:** 8:30 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:** David Langhorst, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation; Dan Blocksom, Idaho Association of Counties.

**Chairman Loertscher** called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

**S 1091** **Senator Davis** presented **S 1091**, legislation that grants the Idaho Supreme Court the authority to establish rules establishing the time periods to challenge (i) an appeal of reapportionment plans, both legislation and congressional approved by the redistricting commission, and (ii) as the Court of original jurisdiction of then-existing plans.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Bateman** made a motion to send **S 1091** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Bateman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**H 001:** **H 001** was brought before the committee again.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Batt** made a motion to send **H 001** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Andrus and Barbieri** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. McDonald** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**RS 23851:** **Rep. Miller** presented **RS 23851**, legislation that would enable owners and occupiers of land to enter into voluntary conservation agreements without disclosing management plans relating to the conservation of all species of sage grouse.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Wintrow** made a motion to introduce **RS 23851.** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**S 1107:** **Sen. Siddoway** presented **S 1107**, legislation to remove the requirements for the Idaho Tax Commission to list donations to trust accounts on a conspicuous portion of the primary individual tax form. He stated the bill allows flexibility for the Tax Commission to consolidate forms and move sections of forms within an individual tax form. It also deletes the Idaho Ag in the Classroom Account and the Drug and Driving While Under the Influence Enforcement Donation Fund because they no longer meet the requirements of Section 63-3067(B), Idaho Code, since that section is being repealed.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Nielsen** made a motion to send **S 1107** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Collins** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**RS 23857C1:** **Ryan Jones**, Governor's Office, presented **RS 23857C1**, legislation that amends existing law to avoid unnecessary gubernatorial appointments by providing a more effective and systematic mechanism for conflict resolution at the local government level.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Jones** stated he had spoken to the Idaho Association of Counties and Cities and they were both in agreement with the legislation.

**MOTION:**

**Rep. Nielsen** made a motion to introduce **RS 23857C1**.

**Rep. Batt** spoke in opposition to the motion. **Rep. Luker** spoke in opposition to the motion and stated there is a mechanism that deals with overlapping districts that should be included in the bill to address the problem.

**Rep. Batt** invoked Rule 38 stating a possible conflict of interest but that she will be voting on the legislation.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT  
REQUEST:**

**Rep. Bateman** made a unanimous consent request to return **RS 23857C1** to the sponsor. There being no objection, the request was granted.

**S 1098:**

**David Langhurst**, Director, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR), presented **S 1098**, legislation that clarifies the Parks and Recreation Board and staff have the authority to engage in sponsorship and partnership opportunities with private businesses and other organizations. He stated it is estimated that in the first year IDPR will raise an additional \$20,000 and that in future years as much as \$100,000 might be raised. He stated all monies raised will be used for support and/or marketing of IDPR programs subject to appropriation by the Legislature.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Langhurst** stated the language regarding advertising rights can be addressed in the rulemaking process. He stated the language was created and reviewed by the Department's Deputy Attorney General. He stated the advertisers would be chosen by the IDPR Board and they would have to be in the public's interest. He stated the IDPR only receives 6% of the General Fund which is far less than it has been in the past. He stated sponsorship and partnerships with businesses will help the Department immensely.

**Rick Jast**, President, Friends of Idaho Parks, spoke in support of **S 1098** and stated the legislation will allow the IDPR to work with non-profit groups.

**MOTION:**

**Rep. Smith** made a motion to send **S 1098** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

**SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION:**

**Rep. Palmer** made a substitute motion to send **S 1098** to General Orders so the language can be fixed.

**AMENDED  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION:**

**Rep. McCrostie** made an amended substitute motion to **HOLD S 1098** in committee for time certain, March 20, 2015. He spoke to the motion and stated the Deputy Attorney General for IDPR can come back then and answer questions.

**AMENDED  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION  
WITHDRAWN:**

**Rep. McCrostie** withdrew his amended substitute motion to **HOLD S 1098** for time certain, March 20, 2015.

**VOTE ON  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION:**

**Chairman Loertscher** called for a vote on the substitute motion to send **S 1098** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

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Representative Loertscher  
Chair

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Kasey Winder  
Secretary