

MINUTES  
**HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, January 18, 2016

**TIME:** 9:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW20

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Wood, Vice Chairman Packer, Representatives Hixon, Perry, Romrell, Vander Woude, Beyeler, Redman, Troy, Rusche (Cuddy), Chew

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

**GUESTS:** Wayne Denny and Bruce Cheeseman, EMS Bureau, Department of Health & Welfare (DHW); Frank Powell, DHW Rules Unit.

**Chairman Wood** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. **Rep. Cuddy**, who is substituting for **Rep. Rusche**, was welcomed.

**Chairman Wood** turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Packer**.

**DOCKET NO. 16-0107-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0107-1501**, regarding continuing education (CE) requirements. The Rule effective date is July 1, 2016.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Romrell** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0107-1501. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0101-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0101-1503**, which adds a Public Health District seat to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee (EMSAC). Additional changes provide section consolidation.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Hixon** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0101-1501.**  
For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**VOTE ON MOTION:** **Chairman Packer** called for a vote on the motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0101-1501. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0102-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0102-1501** to update definitions for EMS education, instructor, examination, and prehospital. A new definition is included for the consolidated emergency communications system.

Responding to committee questions, **Mr. Cheeseman** said all definitions are in alignment with national terms, except the consolidated emergency communications system, which did not have a national definition.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0102-1501. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0103-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0103-1501.** The Rule changes clarify language, including prehospital, prehospital support operational declarations, consolidated emergency communications system dispatch, air medical support, ambulance based clinicians, agency site visits, and license transition timing.

Answering committee questions, **Mr. Cheeseman** stated a paramedic could respond to an advanced Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) call if his home place medical director agrees to cover the license and the appropriate level equipment. A declaration legally covers performance of a service at a specified level. There is no record backdating required and the reference to the year 2009 will be reviewed for future change.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Romrell** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0103-1501**.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**VOTE ON MOTION:** **Chairman Packer** called for a vote on the motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0103-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0105-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0105-1501**. This new section provides one location for the education, instructor, and examination Rules. New educational program sections pertain to general rules, administrative details, certification, Idaho specific requirements, and responsibilities of instructors and administrative personnel.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Beyeler** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0105-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0107-1502:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0107-1502**, personnel licensure Rules. Additions complete the consolidation, clarify national certification licensee submission of CE proof, better define out-of-state licensees limited recognition, and documentation to support any provider audit. CE topical categories and venues have been streamlined, with two more venue selections added.

Responding to questions from the committee, **Mr. Cheeseman** explained the National Registry is used as a competency base. A state compact is being developed for state-to-state recognition. The EMS Physician Commission dictates a licensee's scope of practice. If a licensee goes beyond their scope of practice, an investigation, peer review, and negotiated resolution are possible. If determined to be an egregious action, a peer review, consisting of a provider at the same agency level and one physician commission member, would make a determination and suggestion on how to proceed. This vetted process allows for appeal. The determination could lead to loss of license.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0107-1502**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0112-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0112-1501**, the complaints, investigations, and disciplinary actions Rules. Changes clarify and simplify descriptions of the violations, negotiated resolutions, and administrative license actions. Further changes align with the education Rules. Answering a committee question, Mr. Cheeseman said actions become public records only when taking punitive action.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Beyeler** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0112-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0203-1501:** **Bruce Cheeseman**, EMS Section Manager, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness, presented **Docket No. 16-0203-1501**, which repeals the EMS Rules that were rewritten and consolidated into new chapters.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Hixon** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0203-1501. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

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Representative Packer  
Chair

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Secretary