

MINUTES  
**HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, January 21, 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 (Wallace)  
**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None  
**GUESTS:** Tiffany Kinzler, Cale Coyle, Sheila Pugatch, and Matt Wimmer DHW-Medicaid; Troy Darmody, Albertsons/Safeway; Bev Barr, DHW-Rules; Broland Draper. Doug Paddock, and Julia Page, Idaho Organization of Resource Councils; Patrick Guzzle, DHW-Food Protection; Kathryn Turner, Elke Shaw-Tulloch, James Aydelotte, and Dieuwke A Dizney-Spencer, DHW-Public Health; Lisa Hettinger, DHW.

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

**Chairman Wood** welcomed **Rep. Wallace**, who is substituting for **Rep. Chew**. He then turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Packer**.

**DOCKET NO.  
16-0219-1501:** **Patrick Guzzle**, Food Protection Program Manager, Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), Division of Public Health, presented **Docket No. 16-0219-1501**, which updates the current Idaho Food Code and adopts the 2013 Federal Drug Administration Food Code Model. Additional changes define the types of cottage foods and which food producers are excluded. The Certified Food Protection Manager requirement provides a two-year effective allowance and does not state the manager must be on site at all times. Specific language clarifies standards for producers of acidified foods.

Answering committee questions, **Mr. Guzzle** explained an accredited exam is needed to become a Certified Food Protection Manager, at a cost of \$25 to \$50. Certification is valid for 5 years.

**Troy Darmody**, Senior Manager, Food Quality and Assurance, Albertsons/Safeway, testified **in support of Docket No. 16-0219-1501**. As a large retailer with many jurisdictions, it becomes cumbersome to maintain team training and coaching when states are using different models.

**Julia Page**, Boise Resident, Idaho Organization of Resource Councils (IORC), testified **in support of Docket No. 16-0219-1501**. In the cottage foods discussion, food safety is the bottom line. This Rule provides health district consistency. The IORC members will be able to avoid delays, uncertainty, and costs experienced in the past.

**Elizabeth Criner**, on behalf of the Northwest Food Processors Association (NWFPA), testified **in support of Docket No. 16-0219-1501**. She asked to have provisions for the cottage foods segment stricken, because they deter from food safety standard. She requested the NWFPA letter from **Ian Tolleson** be included with the meeting minutes.

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

**MOTION:** **Rep. Troy** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0219-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0309-1503:** **Sheila Pugatch**, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Operations, Division of Medicaid, Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), presented **Docket No. 16-0309-1503**, which aligns with the recently modified third party liability (TPL) statute. Federal regulations require providers bill all known TPL before submitting a Medicaid claim. The Rule changes detail exceptions to the billing process, creating provider transparency.

Responding to committee questions, **Ms. Pugatch** explained an example of TPL would be a parent with employer insurance and a child with Medicaid eligibility. They collected \$396 million in 2015 by following this process. \$2.5 million was retrieved from insurance companies who were unknown at the time of service. They have a contractor who receives participant information and bills insurance companies for qualifying claim payments.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Romrell** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0309-1503**.

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. 16-0309-1503**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0316-1501:** **Tiffany Kinzler**, Bureau Chief, Medical Care, Division of Medicaid, DHW, presented **Docket No. 16-0316-1501** to repeal the Premium Assistance Program Rules. This program, run as a demonstration project prior to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange, is now redundant.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Beyeler** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0316-1501**.

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. 16-0316-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0501-1501:** **James Aydelotte**, State Registrar, Bureau Chief, Idaho Bureau of Records and Statistics, presented **Docket No. 16-0501-1501**. The DHW Use and Disclosure Rules govern access to vital records. The changes amend the tangible interest list so individuals granted the authority to control a decedent's remains in the absence of any funeral plan will be able to get a death certificate copy, if they need to arrange a funeral. Responding to a question, Mr. Aydelotte said the changes align with the Funeral Home Association Law authority list, which includes family members and legal representatives.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0501-1501**.

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. 16-0501-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**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 Packer  
Chair

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Secretary