

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 23, 2016

**TIME:** 9:30 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, Wintrow

**GUESTS:** Dennis Tanikuni, Idaho Farm Bureau; Marcia Fedris, IACI.

**Chairman Loertscher** called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Holtzclaw** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2016 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 24571:** **Tim Hurst**, Chief Deputy, Secretary of State, presented **RS 24571**, proposed legislation that protects certain personal information of personnel records from public disclosure. He stated the mailing address, residence address and telephone number are still available to anyone that requests it but the e-mail address and cellular phone number would be protected. He stated the Secretary of State's office needs to contact political candidates, campaign treasurer's, lobbyists and/or people requesting absentee ballots and e-mail or cellular phones are the fastest way to get a response. Many are reluctant to give the Secretary of State this information because it is not currently protected from public disclosure.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Hurst** stated he has not spoken to the Newspaper Association about the legislation.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to introduce **RS 24571**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**H 497:** **Tim Hurst**, Chief Deputy, Secretary of State, presented **H 497**, legislation that requires government agencies and educational institutions to report gifts given to legislators and executive officials in the same manner lobbyists are required to report. He stated it does not require the agencies or institutions to be registered as lobbyists.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Bateman** made a motion to send **H 497** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Bateman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**RS 24568:** **Dennis Tanikuni**, Idaho Farm Bureau, presented **RS 24568**, proposed legislation that adds a new section to Chapter 70, Title 18, Idaho Code which addresses breaches of bio security on agriculture facilities or operations in Idaho and sets fines and penalties.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Tanikuni** stated there is a law in Idaho currently that relates to what to do after a bio security breach has occurred. He stated this legislation fills the void and addresses the act of breaching bio security and also adds infectious diseases.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Batt** made a motion to introduce **RS 24568**. She spoke to the motion and stated the legislation will be sent to the Agricultural Affairs Committee. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

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Representative Loertscher  
Chair

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Kasey Winder  
Secretary