

MINUTES  
**HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, February 09, 2017

**TIME:** 1:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW05

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Hartgen, Vice Chairman Anderson, Representatives Harris, Holtzclaw, Horman, Packer, Redman, Kingsley, Moon, Syme, Scott, King, Chew

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Vice Chairman Anderson

**GUESTS:** Don Drum, Alex Simpson, and Kelly Cross, PERSI; Andrea Patterson, Supreme Court; Cheryl George, Deputy AG for PERSI; Valerie Bollinger and Sarah Hilderbrand, DOP; Luke Kilcup, Lobby Idaho

**Chairman Hartgen** called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

**RS 25091:** **Rep. Crane** presented **RS 25091**, proposed legislation meant to clarify language regarding state institutions of higher education and their purchase of property. The new language makes clear a state university can purchase off of the state contract, provided the cost of the item itself is equal or less than it would be on the state contract.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Harris** made a motion to introduce **RS 25091**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 25089:** **Rep. Vander Woude** presented **RS 25089**, proposed legislation to enable individual state agencies to participate in both cooperative purchasing agreements with other public agencies and contracts made by other Idaho public agencies, provided any shared contract must have followed the competitive bidding process, as outlined in state law.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Horman** made a motion to introduce **RS 25089**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 25115:** **Rep. Packer** presented **RS 25115**, proposed legislation to establish the KIDS List, a voluntary tool for parents to keep their kids safe from unsolicited emails, texts and instant messages. There would be no cost to the state.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Horman** made a motion to introduce **RS 25115**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 25124C1:** **Rep. Harris** presented **RS 25124C1**, proposed legislation to limit the definition of an "employer" in PERSI to a statutorily created unit of government. This definition would apply to any new employers wishing to join PERSI in the future.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made a motion to introduce **RS 25124C1**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Don Drum**, Director, Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho, presented to the Committee regarding PERSI, focusing on four issues: roles, rules, laws and reviews; sustainability; cost; and risk. He emphasized the role of the legislature as the plan's sponsor and the group capable of making any changes they wished or deemed necessary. He noted the proposed rate increases set to go into effect July 1, 2018 and explained what the current status of 88% funded means and how it relates to the yearly market returns.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 pm.

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Representative Hartgen  
Chair

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Erica McGinnis  
Secretary