

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, March 01, 2017

TIME: 8:30 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Loertscher, Vice Chairman Monks, Representative(s) Luker, Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Harris, Armstrong, Giddings, Manwaring, Zito, Scott, Smith, Jordan

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

GUESTS: None.

Chairman Loertscher called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Armstrong** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21 and 22, 2017 meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 25406: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 25406**, proposed legislation that states the findings of the Legislature and encourages western states and the federal government to establish cooperative and coordinated efforts with the State of Idaho to prevent, to whatever extent possible, through efforts including inspections, decontamination policies, enforcement of invasive species laws and rapid response protocols, further spread of the mussels, and containment where established, until such time as viable tools for eradication are discovered.

MOTION: **Rep. Crane** made a motion to introduce **RS 25406** and recommend it be sent directly to the Second Reading Calendar. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 25351: **Rep. Barbieri** presented **RS 25351**, proposed legislation that clarifies which communications would be exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act. It will also exempt certain personal information from disclosure.

MOTION: **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to introduce **RS 25351.** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

HCR 17: **Rep. Kloc** presented **HCR 17**, a concurrent resolution that recognizes and supports the important history and ongoing contributions of legal immigrants towards the building of the United States and Idaho.

Sally Mwangi, self, spoke about her experience as a refugee/immigrant from Kenya and stated she came to Boise years ago and is grateful of the good people here. **Asmaa Albukaie**, self, spoke about her experience as an refugee/immigrant from Syria, and stated she loves the community in Idaho and all of the support she has received. **Kibrom Milash**, self, spoke about his experience as an immigrant from Egypt and stated he is happy to be in Boise and for his freedom and shelter.

MOTION: **Rep. Smith** made a motion to send **HCR 17** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kloc** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

SCR 107: **Rep. Kloc** presented **SCR 107**, a concurrent resolution that recognizes and honors Gene Harris for his lifelong achievements as a celebrated jazz musician as well as his cultural and educational contributions to the State of Idaho.

MOTION: **Rep. Smith** made a motion to send **SCR 107** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kloc** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 12aaS: **Rep. Armstrong** presented **H 12 aaS** with amendments by the Senate. He stated the change includes changing the qualification age from 21 years to 18 years and he does not agree with the change.

MOTION: **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to not concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 12aaS.** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

Representative Loertscher
Chair

Kasey Winder
Secretary