

## **REGULATORY REFORM JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE of the House Business Committee and the Senate Commerce Committee.**

**Regulatory Reform Joint Subcommittee** is tasked with working with licensing boards to examine current rules and regulations within their respective fields. The subcommittee will be requesting respective boards to work with it in analyzing (1) the impact of current licensing regulations on business, (2) scrutinize applicable regulations for anti-competitive language and effects, and (3) produce specific recommendations for easing regulatory or licensing requirements on their respective industry. The subcommittee will be expected to report to the germane committees **recommending legislative policy to reduce regulation**. Outreach and engagement of relevant industry or licensed professionals will be encouraged.

To examine the necessity of licensing requirements and potential impediments to the practice of licensed professions, including, but not limited to the following:

- Barriers to licensure or practice, including anti-competitive practices
- Licensing fees, fines, and account balances of boards
- Procedure, frequency and requirements for license renewal
- Compile percentages of licensed professionals involved in disciplinary action
- Recommendations for reductions, or modifications in the regulatory scheme or requirements for licensing and renewal

### **Subcommittee Objective:**

To reduce obstacles to job opportunity and employment growth through a review of regulatory statutes related to licensed professions recognizing that the objective of licensing boards in Idaho is to protect the safety and health of Idaho consumers.

### **Subcommittee Structure:**

Subcommittee will develop an evaluation framework. Subcommittee will schedule meetings with licensing boards to seek information and suggestions for ways to **reduce** regulations and costs of its existing licensing requirements. Subcommittee will request that licensing boards inform professional associations and their members of subcommittee meetings.

### **Outcomes:**

Report back to House Business and Senate Commerce Committees with findings. Additionally, recommend legislative policy regarding licensing reforms to reduce the barriers and increase accessibility to skilled jobs.