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HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 11, 2018
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room EW41
MEMBERS: Chairman VanOrden, Vice Chairman McDonald, Representative(s) Shepherd, Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Kerby, Cheatham, Amador, DeMordaunt, Moon, Syme, Ehardt, Kloc (Scanlin), McCrostie, Toone
ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative(s) Shepherd, Syme, Kloc (Scanlin)
GUESTS: Brad Hunt, Dennis Stevenson, Department of Administration; Sue Wigdorski, Kari Overall, Matt Compton, Idaho Education Association; Harold Ott, Idaho Rural School Administrators; Blake Youde; Kate Haas, Kestrel West; Helen Price, State Department of Education; Clark Corbin, Idaho Education News

Chairman VanOrden called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Chairman VanOrden said Rep. McCrostie had volunteered to be one of the minutes proofreader, and she asked for a volunteer from the majority members. Rep. Amador volunteered to be the other proofreader.

Vice Chairman McDonald explained that February 5th was the deadline for administrative rules review by the subcommittees which had been assigned. The subcommittees will give their regular reports to the full committee on February 6th. Enough time in the committee calendar has been reserved that each subcommittee may schedule as many as three days, if needed, for their administrative rules review. Rep. McDonald told committee members to let him know if they had questions. Chairman VanOrden listed the chairmen of the three subcommittees: Rep. Kerby, Rep. Syme, and Rep. Mendive. She said they may schedule the regular committee room for their subcommittee meetings.

Dennis Stevenson, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Administration, gave a summary of the administrative rules process for agency changes to administrative rules. He explained that after the agency conducts public hearings, any changes are submitted to the Idaho Legislative Services Office. They are reviewed by a germane joint subcommittee, which has veto power over the rules. The administrative rules are then published online in the Administrative Bulletin, before the legislature reviews them. The Administrative Bulletin has links to the germane joint subcommittee analysis. When reviewed by the legislative subcommittees, the committee must decide if the rule making meets the legislative intent of the Idaho Code which grants the agency rule-making authority. Pending Rules may be rejected in whole or in part. If the legislature takes no action, the rules become final and effective at the end of the session. Pending Rules must be rejected by a concurrent resolution. Pending Fee Rules are not yet in effect, and they never become final and effective if the legislature takes no action. They must be approved by concurrent resolution to become final and effective. Temporary Rules went into effect during the previous calendar year without legislative review, but they do not survive past the end of the session unless extended by concurrent resolution. Mr. Stevenson said committee members may contact him or Ryan Bush if they have questions.
Chairman VanOrden said the committee would be hearing presentations from institutions of higher education during Education Week in two weeks, but many days have been made available in the next three weeks for the subcommittees to review their administrative rules dockets.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.