

MINUTES
HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Monday, February 12, 2018
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW20
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Wood, Vice Chairman Packer, Representatives Perry, Vander Woude, Redman, Blanksma, Hanks, Kingsley, Zollinger, Wagoner, Chew, Rubel
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** Tamara Prisock, Niki Forbing-Orr, Christ Smith, Matt Wimmer, Elke Shaw-Tulloch; Joyce Broadsword; Dave Taylor, Julie Hammen, and Michael Farley, DHW; Russ Duke, Central District Health; Kurt Stembridge, GSU; Lee Flinn, Id. Primary Care Assoc.
- Chairman Wood** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- MOTION:** **Vice Chairman Packer** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 30 and February 8, 2018, meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 26073:** **Rep. Megan Blanksma**, District 23, presented **RS 26073**, to apply the Idaho Open Meeting Law to the Board of Trustees of the Idaho District Boards of Health and create a three-year period for funding formula setting, unless an emergency is recognized.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made a motion to introduce **RS 26073**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 25912C1:** **Rep. Matt Erpelding**, District 19, presented **RS 25912C1**, Plan First Idaho, for a 1115 Waiver to allow women ages 19 to 44 access to family planning for cost savings and decreased unintended or closely spaced pregnancies.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to introduce **RS 25912C1** with an updated fiscal note. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Vander Woude, Kingsley, Packer, and Hanks** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**.
- RS 25968:** **Rep. Matt Erpelding**, District 19, presented **RS 25968**, to require the Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) compile an annual report listing the top fifty employers with both fifty or more employees and the highest number of employees on welfare benefit programs.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to introduce **RS 25968**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Redman, Vander Woude, Kingsley, Packer, and Hanks** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**.
- Russ Barron**, Director, DHW, gave a brief overview of the state fiscal year (SFY) 2019 DHW Budget, recommendations, and Medicaid cost containment strategies.
- The total DHW SFY 2019 \$3.14B budget consists of 62.7% federal funding, 25.1% state funding, 9.8% receipts and 2.4% dedicated funds. This is an increase of 9.97% from SFY 2018.
- More than 55% of the General Fund increase addresses Medicaid case load growth and mandatory cost increases, a reduction in hospital cost settlement, and a Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP) adjustment.

The top General Fund budget recommendations are (in order) the Idaho Health Care Plan, behavioral health Community Crisis Centers and Youth Empowerment Services, technology projects, and employee compensation changes.

Answering questions, **Director Barron** said one Crisis Center has reached the 50% sustainability level and is working on the continued sustainability plan.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Representative Wood
Chair

Irene Moore
Secretary