

MINUTES
HOUSE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, February 19, 2018
TIME: 1:30 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW41
MEMBERS: Chairman Barbieri, Vice Chairman Clow, Representatives Collins, Crane, Palmer, Thompson, Monks, Dixon, Troy, Stevenson, Armstrong, DeMordaunt, Manwaring, Wagoner, Smith, Kloc (Tway), Toone
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: John Nielsen, Patrick Grace, DBS

Chairman Barbieri called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Chairman Barbieri introduced committee Page, **Eli Lake**. Eli is a student at Eagle High School. He lives in Eagle, Idaho with his parents **Jenna and James Lake**. He enjoys playing basketball, hiking, snowboarding and other outdoor activities. Eli has received his Eagle Scout Award.

H 481: **John Nielsen**, Program Manager, Division of Building Safety, presented **H 481**. Mr. Nielsen said this bill allows a homeowner to perform plumbing work on his primary or secondary residence, accessory buildings, quarters and grounds used for noncommercial purposes. Maintenance personnel are also allowed to perform plumbing repairs and replacement of fixtures and equipment at their place of employment in commercial buildings. Alterations, extensions or new construction must be done by a licensed plumbing contractor.

MOTION: **Rep. Clow** made a motion to send **H 481** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Manwaring** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 482: **John Nielsen**, presented **H 482**. Mr. Nielsen said this bill allows a homeowner to perform HVAC work on his primary or secondary residence, accessory buildings, quarters and grounds used for noncommercial purposes. Maintenance personnel are also allowed to perform HVAC repairs and replacement of fixtures and equipment at their place of employment in commercial buildings. Alterations, extensions or new construction must be done by a licensed HVAC contractor.

MOTION: **Rep. Wagoner** made a motion to send **H 482** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Wagoner** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 483: **John Nielsen** presented **H 483**. This legislation provides general authority for the HVAC Board, in conjunction with the Division of Career-Technical Education, to standardize an approved curriculum offered by schools providing HVAC apprenticeship courses of instruction, as well as provide some administrative oversight to ensure schools meet those standards. In answer to committee questions, Mr. Nielsen said there are currently six schools that teach HVAC codes and three testing facilities in Idaho.

MOTION: **Rep. Thompson** made a motion to send **H 483** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Tway** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 484: **John Nielsen**, presented **H 484**. Mr. Nielsen stated the current statute allows plumbing contractors and specialty contractors to renew their license on an inactive basis annually at a reduced fee if they are not actively engaged in plumbing contracting in the state. The Plumbing Board, industry, and the Division of Building Safety feel, after payment of the initial fee for placing a license in an inactive status, there should not be any additional annual fee for continuing to keep the license inactive.

MOTION: **Rep. Smith** made a motion to send **H 484** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Smith** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Representative Barbieri
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary