

MINUTES  
**SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 08, 2020

**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** WW55

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairwoman Lodge, Vice Chairman Harris, Senators Hill, Winder, Vick, Souza, Stennett, and Buckner-Webb.

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** Senator Anthon

**NOTE:** The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

**CONVENED:** **Chairwoman Lodge** called the Senate State Affairs Committee (Committee) to order at 8:02 a.m.

**PAGE INTRODUCTION:** **Chairwoman Lodge** introduced Karina Smith, a Senate page from Idaho Falls. She attends high school and cosmetology school. **Ms. Smith** is passionate about learning about the legislature, helping Idaho, and making a difference in the future. She stated that she is excited to have this opportunity to serve as a page.

**INTERN INTRODUCTION:** **Chairwoman Lodge** introduced Lochlan Frederick who is serving as an Intern this session and was a page in the House of Representatives in 2017. He is a Sophomore at the College of Western Idaho getting his degree in communications. His goal is to be an effective researcher who can find and summarize the important facts on an issue or debate.  
**Chairwoman Lodge** said he would be available to help out where needed.

**INTERN INTRODUCTION:** **Chairwoman Lodge** introduced Sebastian Griffin who will be serving as an Intern this session. He served as a page last year. **Mr. Griffin** is looking forward to this new learning experience before heading to Brigham Young University in Utah this June.  
**Chairwoman Lodge** thanked them and agreed with Senator Souza that if these three are the look of the next generation, there is hope for the future.

**PASSED THE GAVEL:** Chairwoman Lodge passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Harris.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE RULES:** **Vice Chairman Harris** commented that reviewing the rules this session entailed a much different process than prior years. He introduced Dennis Stevenson, Administrative Rules Coordinator to explain.  
**Mr. Stevenson** introduced Colby Cameron. **Mr. Cameron** explained where each committee's set of rules could be found online, and that sections could be extracted and printed by the committee secretaries should they need to. He said that due to the number of pending rules this session, no rules would be printed by Legislative Services (LSO).  
**Mr. Stevenson** said that each agency reviewed and made changes to their rules and conducted public hearings. He explained the process LSO used for creating the omnibus rules packets. He said the rules fell into two categories easily identified by either a 1900 or 1900F, the "F" signifying a fee rule. Some rules

from the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Environmental Quality might have slightly different numbers, but that it would not affect this committee.

**Mr. Stevenson** said the Administrative Bulletin printed in November would help to understand the changes, if any, that were made. He responded that this session, the agencies were encouraged to hold on making any new rules until the omnibus rules were in place. Afterwards, they could make amendments as necessary.

**PASSED THE  
GAVEL:**

Vice Chairman Harris passed the gavel back to Chairwoman Lodge.

**ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business at this time, **Chairwoman Lodge** adjourned the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

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Senator Lodge, Chair

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Twyla Melton, Secretary

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Denise B. McNeil  
Assistant to the Assistant Majority  
Leader