

MINUTES
SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, January 13, 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.

**VOTE ON
GUBERNATORIAL
APPOINTMENT:** **Senator Hill** moved to send the Gubernatorial reappointment of Senator Chuck Winder to the Idaho Endowment Fund Investment Board to the floor with a recommendation that he be confirmed by the Senate. **Senator Buckner-Webb** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**VOTE ON
GUBERNATORIAL
APPOINTMENT:** **Senator Winder** moved to send the Gubernatorial reappointment of Dean Buffington to the Idaho Endowment Fund Investment Board to the floor with a recommendation that he be confirmed by the Senate. **Senator Souza** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

PASSED THE GAVEL: Chairwoman Lodge passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Harris to conduct the rules review.

**DOCKET NO.
45-0101-1900** **Omnibus Pending Rule - 45.01.01, Docket page 451, Rule page 45 - Rules of the Idaho Human Rights Commission.**

Vice Chairman Harris introduced Dr. Ben Earwicker, Director of the Idaho Human Rights Commission (Commission) to present **Docket No. 45-0101-1900**. **Dr. Earwicker** said that there was one chapter of rules and the Commission's approach was in line with the Red Tape Reduction Act. He described how they arrived at each decision to remove, change, or clarify the rules. Dr. Earwicker said they eliminated 3.5 pages of rules, a 47 percent reduction, and 16 restrictions, a 66 percent reduction, making the rules lighter and easier to navigate.

In response to questions, **Dr. Earwicker** clarified that the previously deleted section numbers would be reserved for future use.

MOTION: **Senator Souza** moved to approve **Docket No. 45-0101-1900**. **Senator Buckner-Webb** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**DOCKET NO.
15-1000-1900F** **Omnibus Pending Fee Rule - 15.10.01, Docket page 82, Rule page 86 - Rules of the Idaho State Liquor Division .**

Vice Chairman Harris introduced Jeffrey Anderson, Director of the Idaho State Liquor Division to present **Docket No. 15-1000-1900F**. **Mr. Anderson** introduced the Division Chief Deputy, Tony Faraca, the rules review officer. **Mr. Anderson** stated that there was one chapter of rules and their approach was in alignment with the Red Tape Reduction Act.

Mr. Anderson said the changes included deletions and modifications where the rule contradicted other granted authority, duplication of sections, obsolete references to agencies, and restrictions and extraneous language. Three pages of rules were eliminated. He stated there were no new fees added and no pre-existing fees were changed.

MOTION:

Senator Vick moved to approve **Docket No. 15-1000-1900F**. **Senator Stennett** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**DOCKET NO.
52-0000-1900F**

Omnibus Pending Fee Rule - 52.01.03, Docket page 197, Rule page 200 - Rules Governing Operations of the Idaho State Lottery.

Mr. Anderson next presented **Docket No. 52-0000-1900F** and introduced the Lottery Chief Operating Officer, Becky Schroeder, the rules review officer.

Mr. Anderson stated that they combined three chapters of rules into one by incorporating two into sub-chapters. He said their approach was in alignment with the Red Tape Reduction Act. In response to questions, he said no public hearings were requested or held, no new fees were added, and no pre-existing fees were changed.

MOTION:

Senator Stennett moved to approve **Docket No. 52-0000-1900F**. **Senator Souza** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

PASSED THE GAVEL:

Vice Chairman Harris passed the gavel to Chairwoman Lodge.

ADJOURNED:

There being no more business at this time, **Chairwoman Lodge** adjourned the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Senator Lodge
Chair

Twyla Melton
Secretary

Denise B. McNeil
Assistant to the Assistant Majority
Leader