

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, March 09, 2020

**TIME:** 9:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW40

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Harris, Vice Chairman Armstrong, Representatives Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Monks, Zito, Scott, Andrus, Hartgen, Young, Smith, Gannon, Green

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Palmer, Scott, Andrus

**GUESTS:** None

**Chairman Harris** called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

**S 1265:** **Rep. Amador** said **S 1265** registers all local entities, such as taxing districts, in a central registry to ensure everyone who needs to be audited is audited. He said the purpose of **S 1265** are to reduce burdensome administrative requirements for entities and removes obsolete language.

In response to committee questions, **April Renfro**, LSO Audit Division, said the department looks at expenditures to do audits and it is not necessary for entities to submit their expenditures and their budget. She said **S 1265** includes all local governing entities as defined in code.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Hartgen** made a motion to send **S 1265** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Amador** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**S 1355:** **Rep. Ellis** said **S 1355** changes statute to reflect current process and rules of the Idaho Medal of Honor Commission. He said the biggest change was adding one designee chosen by the governor from the firefighters and the police.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Green** made a motion to send **S 1355** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

In response to committee questions, **Rep. Ellis** said he thought the commission rules would fall under the oversight of the legislature. **Rep. Ellis** said the award is given during the legislative session so the legislators can appreciate the recipient. He said **S 1355** shifted rules into statute. **Rep. Ellis** said putting rules into statute does not limit the flexibility of the commission.

**VOTE ON  
MOTION:** **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Ellis** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 AM.

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Representative Harris  
Chair

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Devon Powers  
Secretary