

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

BY JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A HOUSE RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF RULE 64 OF THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives deems it necessary and desirable that Rule 64 of the Rules of the House of Representatives be amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the House of Representatives, assembled in the First Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature, that Rule 64 of the Rules of the House of Representatives shall be amended to read as follows:

RULE 64

Clearing Galleries and House-Regulated Spaces. -- In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the House chamber, lobby or gallery, the Speaker of the House or the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House shall have the power to order the same to be cleared.

It is the duty of the Speaker of the House to oversee decorum and preserve order in the House chamber, lobby and gallery. Any person disrupting the decorum of the House and the ability of the House to perform its duties while on the House floor shall be subject to removal from these spaces at the direction of the Speaker of the House.

In the case of any disturbance, disorderly conduct or breach of decorum in a committee meeting room, a committee chairman shall have the power to order the same be cleared.

Banners, placards, flags, and other forms of signage are not allowed in House-regulated spaces such as the chamber, lobby, gallery or committee meeting rooms.

Disruptions such as clapping, yelling, chanting, whistling or other forms of disorderly conduct are not permitted in the chamber, lobby, gallery or committee meeting rooms while the House or committee is in session. Clothing designed to promote political platforms may not be worn in the House lobby, gallery or committee rooms while the House is in session or during a committee meeting. Any such activities may be cause for removal at the direction of the Speaker of the House or the Chairman of the Committee.

Bags of all types may be subject to a visual inspection for items capable of injuring, damaging or harming persons or property in House-regulated spaces.

All noise-amplifying devices, powered or non-powered, are prohibited in all House-regulated spaces without prior approval of the Speaker of the House.