

MINUTES

HOUSE JUDICIARY, RULES & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, January 15, 2021
TIME: Upon Adjournment of the House
PLACE: Room EW42
MEMBERS: Chairman Chaney, Vice Chairman Hartgen, Representatives Kerby, Amador, Ehardt, Scott, Marshall, Troy, Nate, Cannon, Erickson, Skaug, Gannon, McCrostie, Ruchti, Nash
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Amador, Ehardt, Scott, Troy, Young, Nash
GUESTS: None

Chairman Chaney called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Chairman Chaney welcomed the committee and introduced **Vice Chairman Hartgen**; new committee secretary **Andrea Blades**; and page **Austin Swing**.

Chairman Chaney explained this will be an electronic committee and anyone needing help accessing documents posted in the committee shared folder should contact the committee secretary.

Rep. Cannon and **Rep. Nash** will serve as the Committee proofreaders.

Chairman Chaney reviewed committee processes and procedures. Important date: March 8 is the Transmittal Date for Joint Resolutions, the JRA Committee work should be completed a few days prior to that date. Remote testimony will be permitted during Committee meetings and there will be an online sign up sheet for those testifying. All online sign up will be closed at the minute the meeting is called to order. To start, one subcommittee: COVID Liability, to be chaired by Young, to include the following members: Troy, Marshall, Nate, Cannon, Skaug, Gannon, Ruchti. If a second subcommittee becomes necessary it will be comprised of the remaining JRA Committee members. The subcommittee(s) are to meet upon adjournment of regular JRA Committee meetings, alternating if necessary.

Vice Chairman Hartgen reported on her progress of Administrative Rule Committee review. The following Rule presentations have been scheduled: January 19: Idaho State Police, Sex Offender Management Board, and the Commission of Pardons and Parole. Then on January 21 the State Public Defense Commission.

Chairman Chaney turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Hartgen**.

RS 28239: **Chairman Chaney** presented **RS 28239** which amends and updates House Rule 64 by adding clear expectations of behavior for participants in the House chamber, lobby and gallery.

Questions about enforcement were raised by committee members and addressed by the presenter. Eventually concluding that while debating issues in a democracy can involve passionate disagreement, even heated emotion, it should never include violence and maintaining an environment that is free from fear is necessary for sober analysis of important issues.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to introduce **RS 28239**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Representative Chaney
Chair

Andrea Blades
Secretary