

MINUTES  
**HOUSE BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, January 21, 2021

**TIME:** 1:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW41

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Dixon, Vice Chairman Furniss, Representatives Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Armstrong, DeMordaunt, Clow, Andrus, Nichols, Adams, Bundy, Ferch, Galloway, Mitchell, Shepherd, Berch, Green

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Palmer, Barbieri

**GUESTS:** Brenna Smith, Idaho Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission, Anthony Polidori, Deputy Director, Idaho Department of Finance, Dean Cameron, Director Idaho Department of Insurance, Knute Sandahl, State Fire Marshal

**Chairman Dixon** called the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.

**Chairman Dixon** turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Furniss**.

**DOCKET NO. 48-0101-2000F:** **Brenna Smith**, Idaho Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission (IGGWPC), presented **Docket No. 48-0101-2000F**, a pending rule regarding the re-authorization of fee rules for IGGWPC. She stated the rules which were existing rules previously reviewed by the Legislature and no changes had been made in the last year.

In response to Committee questions, Ms. Smith addressed Committee concerns regarding unmarked changes within **Docket No. 48-0101-2000F**, referencing changes to the rules were done in 2019 and were made only for purposes to clean-up language to make it easier for the public to understand.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Shepherd** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 48-0101-2000F**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 12-0000-2000F:** **Anthony Polidori**, Deputy Director, Idaho Department of Finance (IDF), presented **Docket No. 12-0000-2000F**, a pending rule in reference to the Rules Pursuant to the Uniform Securities Act (2004). Mr. Polidori stated that the proposed rule only related to one existing rule chapter and was previously reviewed by the Legislature. He stated that the only changes to the rule were done in line of the Red Tape Reduction Act.

In response to Committee questions, **Mr. Polidori** clarified the reasoning for the absence of indications signifying changes, an explanation of a specific \$50 fee, and that the requirements or actions of individuals was not stricken from the language.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Berch** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 12-0000-2000F**. **Rep. Crane** declared Rule 80, stating a possible conflict of interest but that he would be voting on the legislation. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

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**DOCKET NO. 18-0000-2000F:** **Dean Cameron**, Director, Idaho Department of Insurance (IDI), presented **Docket No. 18-0000-2000F**, a pending rule regarding fees associated with the licensing of insurance companies and agents, as well as fees regarding fitters and inspectors of sprinkler systems in buildings. Director Cameron stated the presented rules have been previously adopted and approved. He also stated the only changes made were in line with the Red Tape Reduction Act in 2020.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Berch** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0000-2000F. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO. 18-0801-2001:** **Dean Cameron**, IDI, presented **Docket No. 18-0801-2001**, a pending rule that would create an amendment to the current International Fire Code. Director Cameron provided backstory about IDI's position on certain aspects of International Fire Code that didn't seem applicable to Idaho and as a result, exemptions were requested through the rules process in previous Legislative sessions. Director Cameron stated that **Docket No. 18-0801-2001** is a specific amendment to the International Fire Code that would remove the requirement of the State to regulate food trucks throughout Idaho. He continued, saying that if the rule was approved, inspections could be done at the local level instead of at the State level.

**Rep. Clow** referred to an incident in Twin Falls in November 2020, where damage was done to a building due to a food truck fire. He asked if even in November 2020 the damage would have been covered under the current International Fire Code. He also asked for clarification as to whether or not local government has the authority to require inspections in regards to current rules.

In response, **Director Cameron** stated that he was not familiar with the conditions of the specific incident and he wasn't sure if an inspection would have prevented the incident from happening. He further stated that the requirement currently in place was an onerous task to the State and should be handled on a local level.

In response to Committee questions, **Director Cameron** and **Knute Sandahl**, State Fire Marshal, stated that the State is not required to inspect stationary kitchens and only performs inspections if it is requested. They also stated approving the rule wouldn't create an uneven playing field for mobile and stationary kitchens, would remove the requirement of the permit process and third party gas inspection from the State, and that in more rural areas there would be more of a safety concern. They also stated that resources necessary to fulfill current legislation would be overwhelming and not cost effective.

In response to additional Committee questions, **Director Cameron** and **Knute Sandahl** clarified the reasoning for why the International Fire Code is included in the Department of Insurance and explained Fire Departments across the State are working together on creating a permitting process applicable throughout the State as well as consistent training.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Nichols** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 18-0801-2001. Rep. Crane** declared **Rule 80**, stating a possible conflict of interest but that he would be voting on the legislation.

In support of the motion, **Rep. Berch** stated that while he had concerns about food trucks becoming a growing business, he concurred with **Director Cameron** on the basis that this specific issue should be handled by local authorities.

**VOTE ON MOTION:** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Vice Chairman Furniss** turned the gavel over to **Chairman Dixon**.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Berch** made a motion to approve the minutes of January 19th, 2021. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

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Representative Furniss  
Chair

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Mackenzie Gibbs  
Secretary