

MINUTES
HOUSE JUDICIARY, RULES & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, March 21, 2022

TIME: 1:30 pm or upon adjournment

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Chaney, Vice Chairman Hartgen, Representatives Kerby, Amador, Ehardt, Scott, Marshall, Troy, Young, Nate, Cannon, Erickson, Skaug, Gannon, McCrostie, Ruchti, Nash

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Ehardt, Nate, Erickson, Skaug

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of the session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

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

**UNANIMOUS
CONSENT
REQUEST:** **Chairman Chaney** made a unanimous consent request to move **S 1378** to the top of the agenda. There being no objection the request was granted.

MOTION: **Rep. Nash** made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 7, 15, 2022 and March 1, 3, 9, 2022. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

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

S 1378: **Rep. Kerby** presented **S 1378** which adds to existing law to establish endangered missing person alerts and to provide criteria for activation of an alert. He explained **S 1378** is a result of collaboration following the Fruitland **Michael Vaughan** missing person incident. It is an improvement to the missing person reporting process, making in more responsive and allowing for a more centralized collaboration/coordination efforts between certain agencies. It identifies expedited instances in missing person reports to activate formal law enforcement search processes sooner in certain instances. Nationally, Idaho has the least amount of collaboration and cooperation between agencies in the cases of missing person report response.

MOTION: **Rep. Nash** made a motion to send **S 1378** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

Lisa Anderson, Greater Idaho Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association; **Heather Cunningham**, Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance; **Christine Pisani**, Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities spoke **in support of S 1378**. Speaking to specific segments of society, it was explained that society's vulnerable and marginalized individuals need additional protections because they are more frequently the victim of human trafficking incidents.

MOTION: **Rep. Nash** made a motion to move to the previous question.

**ROLL CALL
VOTE:** Roll call vote requested. **Motion carried with a vote of 10 AYE, 0 NAY, 7 ABSENT/EXCUSED.** Voting in support of the motion **Reps. Kerby, Amador, Marshall, Troy, Cannon, Gannon, McCrostie, Ruchti, Nash and Hartgen.** **Reps. Ehardt, Scott, Young, Nate, Erickson, Skaug, and Chaney were absent/excused.** **Rep. Kerby** to sponsor the bill on the floor.

S 1339: **Rep. Yamamoto** presented **S 1339** which amends and adds to existing law to provide that public records requests be made to the custodian of records, and provides that the Legislative Services Office (LSO) will be designated as the custodian of records for legislative records. **S 1339** is intended to streamline the legislative public records request process allowing for specific time frames to be met.

MOTION: **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to send **S 1339** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

In response to committee questions **Rep. Yamamoto** explained with **S 1339** formal public records requests will go directly to LSO instead of going to individual representatives. The committee's comments were very supportive of **S 1339**.

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

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

Representative Chaney
Chair

Andrea Blades
Secretary