

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 19, 2023

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Young, Representatives Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Scott, Andrus, Skaug, Alfieri, Allgood, Crane(12), Gannon, Green (Lesmeister)

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

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

Chairman Crane called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

RS 30026: **Rep. Alfieri** presented **RS 30026** and explained existing law prohibited the use of private money by local governments but did not prevent the state from using private funds. **RS 30026** prohibits the State of Idaho from using private money to administer an election. Rep. Alfieri added there were many concerns during last year's and the previous year's elections, for instance, there was concern the use of private money would influence elections by providing drop boxes.

MOTION: **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to introduce **RS 30026**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 30061: **Rep. Monks** presented **RS 30061** and stated **RS 30061** prohibits state agencies from donating to, or sponsoring non-governmental events unless it is required by law or without prior written permission of the Governor's office. Anyone found to be in violation to this legislation would be subject to the penalties found in Section 18-5701(10), Idaho Code. He further explained membership fees are not included and, as far as he is aware, there are no standing permissions that exist among government agencies. If an agency would like to donate to an event, they must ask permission from the Governor prior to the event. The governor's staff brought up circumstances when it would be appropriate to grant permission, such as, The Department of Labor may want to sponsor a job fair. Anything outside of an agency's purview would be inappropriate for that agency to sponsor.

MOTION: **Rep. Scott** made a motion to introduce **RS 30061**. **Motion carried with a voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 A.M.

Representative Crane (13)
Chair

Lisa Hendricks
Secretary