

MINUTES
SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 19, 2023

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room WW53

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Okuniewicz, Vice Chairman Den Hartog, Senators Winder, Hart, Carlson, Toews, Trakel, Rabe, and Just

ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None

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CONVENED: **Chairman Okuniewicz** called the meeting of the Senate Transportation Committee (Committee) to order at 1:30 P.M.

WELCOME: **Chairman Okuniewicz** welcomed the Committee the first meeting. He provided an update on what was upcoming including presentations from the Idaho Transportation Department, Local Highway Technical Assistance Council and at least one Metropolitan Planning Organization. The Administrative Rules were out and would be e-mailed to the Committee members. **Chairman Okuniewicz** relayed his preference for RS's would be to do the deeper dive once they became a bill.

INTRODUCTION: **Madi Passmore**, Senate page, introduced herself. She was currently a senior at Kuna High School and a reporter for her FAA chapter. **Ms. Passmore** relayed that she planned to attend the University of Idaho with a double major in Agriculture Education and Agriculture Communication.

Lena Amoah, Committee secretary introduced herself to the Committee.

RS 29980 **Related to Slow Moving Vehicles.** **Senator Scott Herndon** stated that this was a subtle change to existing code. The change occurred starting at line 15 of the RS with the removal of "wherever sufficient area for a safe turnout exists". It would be replaced with "the next available location where it is safe and reasonable for the vehicle to be pulled over in order to permit the following vehicles to pass. Such driver shall not be deemed to violate this section if he has not, during the time when three (3) or more vehicles are formed in line behind his vehicle, passed a designated turnout or location where it would be safe and reasonable for the vehicle to be pulled over." **Senator Herndon** stated by adding the word reasonable it allowed the driver some leeway in what was deemed reasonable to them based on the vehicle being driven and the road condition.

MOTION: **Senator Den Hertog** moved to send **RS 29980** to print. **Senator Winder** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: **Senator Carlson** called for a roll call vote. **Vice Chair Den Hartog, Senators Winder, Hart, Carlson, Toews, Trakel, Rabe, Just, and Chairman Okuniewicz** voted aye. There were no nay's. The motion carried by **roll call vote**.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Okuniewicz** adjourned the meeting at 1:39 P.M.

Senator Okuniewicz
Chair

Lena Amoah
Secretary