

MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 26, 2023

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman Mitchell, Representatives Dixon(1), Holtzclaw, Monks, Blanksma, Manwaring, Shepherd, Crane(12), Handy, Hill, Lanting, Miller, Petzke, Yamamoto, Gannon, Burns

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Crane(12), Gannon

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 Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

H 9: **Rep. Manwaring**, District 29, stated **H 9** aligns with Idaho Transportation Department's ongoing efforts to offer all services online by allowing CDL licensees to renew their credentials online, an option that is already available for certain non-CDL drivers. It also clarifies the Idaho State Tax Commission can share residency information with the Department for the purposes of driver licensing.

In response to a committee question asking if this is for all commercial classes of licenses, **Rep. Manwaring** answered yes.

MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to send **H 9** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Manwaring** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 8: **Rep. Shepherd**, District 7, stated **H 8** is a red tape reduction bill with two parts. The first part will eliminate the need for commercial vehicles to have posted a printed copy of the temporary registration in the window of the vehicle. The second part removes the unnecessarily restrictive provisions to purchase a 30 day unladen permit, because there is no longer a need for that requirement.

MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to send **H 8** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Shepherd** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 10: **Chairman Palmer** announced, due to the absence of the bill sponsor, **H 10** will be held until the next committee meeting, Monday, January 30, 2023.

H 7: **Rep. Handy**, District 27, stated **H 7** will align Idaho Code with the recently changed federal statutes relating to CDL disqualifications by ensuring Idaho has the authority to apply the same penalty, and there are no legal loopholes created to avoid the penalty. He indicated, **H 7** establishes a lifetime disqualification from holding a CDL if a person is convicted of human trafficking.

MOTION: **Rep. Petzke** made a motion to send **H 7** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Handy** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 30074: **Rep. Dixon**, District 1, stated this proposed legislation reaffirms the use of funding within the Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation Program is limited to the purposes for which it was allocated; expansion of travel lanes and congestion mitigation projects.

MOTION: Rep. Shepherd made a motion to introduce **RS 30074**.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Monks made a substitute motion to introduce **RS 30074** and amend the language in the legislation to include road and bridge maintenance, traffic flow, and travel times. The changes are found on page one, Section 1, 40-720.(3)(b), beginning on line 28, and read as follows: Any moneys funding the transportation expansion and congestion mitigation program shall be limited to road and bridge maintenance, the expansion of travel lanes and congestion mitigation for the primary benefit of motor vehicles to improve traffic flow and traffic travel lanes.

VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Chairman Palmer called for a vote on the substitute motion to introduce **RS 30074** with changes. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:44pm.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Tracey McDonnell
Secretary