

MINUTES
HOUSE REVENUE & TAXATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, February 06, 2023

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Monks, Vice Chairman Cannon, Representatives Dixon(1), Manwaring, Weber, Shepherd, Cheatum, Cornilles, Durrant, Ehlers, Mickelsen, Pickett, Raymond, Wroten, Necochea, Burns

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Manwaring

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 Monks called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Alex Adams, Division of Financial Management, gave a presentation on the general fund revenue forecast. He explained the forecasted budget over a nine year period, and the three elements to its composition which are pessimistic, optimistic, and baseline. The budget has been created with a cushion for total revenue, to lower program costs, and assist in multiple expenditure types.

John Bernasconi, Idaho State Tax Commission, assisted in the presentation by explaining the supplemental budget outlines for the tax agency, due to the dramatic increase in volume for tax filings. He also explained one-time and ongoing budget items along with the need for fast collection services, full time employees, and funding for imaging system replacement expenditures.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Bernasconi** explained additional resources are needed for training and implementation of policies and procedures, along with usage of the new technology system. He also said the very old tax debt of roughly ten million dollars will be outsourced to a third party debt collection service. He believes the budgeted supplemental amounts for 2023 are necessary to assist in collection of all debts, both current and past, and he has confidence in the third party vendor in collecting payments in a timely manner while utilizing multiple resources to assist.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Representative Monks
Chair

Jocelyn Lamb
Secretary