

MINUTES  
**HOUSE REVENUE & TAXATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, March 13, 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. Cheatum

**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.

**Vice Chair Cannon** called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**H 292:** **Rep. Monks** presented **H 292**, legislation that provides immediate and long term tax relief to Idaho homeowners and also adds a new funding mechanism for school bonds and levies.

**Senator Grow**, testified **in support** of **H 292** He said the net effect is every homeowner will receive the same percentage reduction in their taxes. He provided clarification that this legislation is a flat tax. The Committee inquired regarding if this legislation provided tax relief to all property owners. He responded, saying homeowners are the ones carrying the bulk of the burden in providing funding for local services.

**Zach Wagner**, Canyon County Controller, testified that property tax relief is alive and well. Canyon County homeowners are paying less in commercial property tax in 2020 than in 2016. Even though there is eligible tax relief, those dollars flow into those districts. The committee inquired about what relief Canyon County homeowners would experience. He claimed the average tax relief could be estimated at a \$500 credit under this proposal.

**Quinn Perry**, Deputy Director for the Idaho School Boards Association, and was asked to represent Idaho Association of School Administrators. She said these associations support the merits of the bill. However, the removal of the March election date should be reinstated. Removing it provides the most instability to school districts. Public school negotiations are starting earlier in order to keep teachers. There is a need to have budgets set by early June.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Shepherd** made a motion to send **H 292** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Necochea** request she be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. Monks** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

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Representative Cannon  
Chair

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Jazz Alexis  
Secretary