MINUTES

HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE:	Thursday, February 08, 2024
TIME:	1:30 P.M.
PLACE:	Room EW42
MEMBERS:	Chairman Andrus, Vice Chairman Raymond, Representatives Boyle, Cannon, McCann, Ehlers, Gallagher, Garner, Nelsen, Pickett, Sauter, Mathias, Nash (Stinson), Roberts
ABSENT/ EXCUSED:	McCann, Sauter, Stinson
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 Andrus called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
RS 31552C1:	Rep. Raymond pointed out RS 31552C1 seeks to modernize regulations concerning the transportation and harvesting of domestic Cervidae in response to chronic wasting disease concerns.
MOTION:	Rep. Cannon made a motion to introduce RS 31552C1. Motion carried by voice vote.
	Scott Graf, Director of Communications, introduced Trent Van Leuven.
	Trent Van Leuven , named the 2024 Idaho Teacher of the Year, hails from Mackay, where he serves as a dedicated career technical and agriculture teacher. Mr. Van Leuven highlighted the support of local high school agriculture programs, the College of Southern Idaho, dairy farms, processors, and Idaho CAFE. Together, they strive to present a strong talent pipeline for the Idaho Dairy Industry, appealing to potential investors.
	Janet Jessup , LSO, explained the Idaho agriculture budget policy analysis evaluates resource allocation, subsidy programs, and regulations. Through eight budgeted programs, it aims to enhance agricultural policy efficiency in the state.
MOTION:	Rep. Mathias made a motion to approve the minutes of February 6, 2024. Motion carried by voice vote .
ADJOURN:	There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.
Representative An	drus Jayne Feik
Chair	Secretary