

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 14, 2025

**TIME:** 9:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW40

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Scott, Representatives Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Skaug, Alfieri, Crane(12), Boyle, Dygert, Hostetler, Mickelsen (Hatch), Pohanka, Achilles, Green (Schubin)

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None

**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 Crane** called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Dygert** made a motion to approve the minutes of January 9, 2025. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Chairman Crane** welcomed **Rep. Schubin** filling in for **Rep. Green** and **Rep. Hatch** filling in for **Rep. Mickelsen**.

**RS 31890:** **Rep. Crane (12)** presented **RS 31890**, a previous bill from FY24, imposing an additional clause around policy and practice. The proposed legislation prohibits illegal aliens' illegal entry or illegal presents in the State of Idaho. Under certain circumstances, the removal of those who violate the prohibitions will create a criminal offense. The proposed legislation will require an FY25 supplemental appropriation of \$250,000 and will seek a \$1 million FY26 General Fund appropriation. Counties will apply to the State Controller's Office for reimbursements concerning relocations or housing. A first offense will be a misdemeanor and a second offense will result in deportation.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Skaug** made a motion to introduce **RS 31890**.

Committee members raised questions around the Texas bill enforcement, multiple arrests outcome, enforceable identification issues, supremacy clause of the constitution, civil immunity, government over reach and questions around the break down of the fiscal note.

**VOTE ON  
MOTION:** **Motion carried out by voice vote.**

**RS 31901:** **Rep. Hill** presented **RS 31901**. This proposed legislation expands on current code where foreign governments will now be prohibited from purchasing any Idaho forest land, in addition to the established prohibition in purchasing agricultural land, water rights, mining claims or mineral rights. Any foreign adversary is also under the same prohibitions, but under this proposed legislation, the foreign adversary who owns any of these lands or resources must sell within 180 days of notice. If they do not sell, the land or resources will be sold by judicial foreclosure. Also, no foreign adversary may purchase or lease any property within certain geographic boundaries to establish secure military operations areas.

Committee members raised questions around the complexity and repercussions of the issue, keeping up with the initiative as the political landscape changes, Attorney General approvals, asset foreclosure status, definition of foreign adversary, foreign entity vs foreign adversary, deleting foreign adversaries and adversarial countries identified by the Governor. Committee members also had comments around a return to sponsor motion to make changes and changes for today's friends, tomorrow's enemies.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to introduce **RS 31901**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Chairman Crane** gave options around motions and made a point of clarification around the return to sponsor motion.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:24 AM.

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Representative Crane (13)  
Chair

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Liaza Richardson  
Secretary