

MINUTES
SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Tuesday, January 14, 2025
- TIME:** 1:30 P.M.
- PLACE:** Room WW53
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Okuniewicz, Vice Chairman Keyser, Senators Burtenshaw, Hart, Adams, Galloway, Kohl, Rabe, and Semmelroth
- ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None
- NOTE:** The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.
- CONVENED:** **Chairman Okuniewicz** called the meeting of the Senate Transportation Committee (Committee) to order at 1:30 p.m.
- WELCOME:** **Chairman Okuniewicz** welcomed the Senators and Committee Secretary, Melissa Price, to the Transportation Committee meeting, he then introduced Senate Page Cash Johnson.
- INTRODUCTION:** **Cash Johnson**, Senate Page, shared with the Committee he was a senior at Eagle High School and had always been interested in how government functioned. He emphasized how important the opportunity to be a Senate Page was to him. Outside of this role, he enjoyed golf and fishing and worked construction after school and in the summers. His future plan was to attend Boise State University and major in business administration.
- RS 31844** **Relating to motor vehicle driver's licenses; Amending Section 49-306, Idaho Code. To provide for a certain four-year Class D driver's license fee; and declaring an emergency and providing an effective date. Senator Shippy** presented **RS 31844** to the Committee. He stated this legislation reduced the cost of a four-year driver's license for individuals aged 63 and older from \$35.00 to \$30.00. He emphasized the purpose was to provide fairness for senior citizens, that the rate they paid was the same as other driver's licenses.
- MOTION:** **Senator Keyser** moved to send **RS 31844** to the floor with a **do pass** recommendation. **Senator Adams** seconded the motion.
- Senator Okuniewicz** indicated that a substitute motion for introduction was needed, **RS 31844** was not to be sent to the floor at this time.
- SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** **Senator Burtenshaw** moved to introduce **RS 31844**. **Senator Adams** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.
- DISCUSSION:** **Chairman Okuniewicz** gave an overview of the Administrative Rules process. He encouraged the Committee to review the Administrative Rules and the rule changes.
- Chairman Okuniewicz** discussed the Idaho Transportation Departments (ITD) State Street property. He mentioned there might be concerns about its future uses or financial impact if sold. He advised the Committee to watch for an opportunity to tour the State Street property.
- ADJOURNED:** There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Okuniewicz** adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

Senator Okuniewicz
Chair

Melissa Price
Secretary