

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 04, 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, Pohanka, Achilles, Green (Casner)  
**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 (13)** called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM  
**RS 32124:** **Rep. Alfieri** presented **RS 32124**. This proposed legislation sets specific requirements for the use of absentee ballots. It eliminates no-excuse absentee ballots, while preserving the rights of those unable to vote in person because of reasons beyond their control.  
**MOTION:** **Rep. Scott** made a motion to introduce **RS 32124**.  
Committee members had questions around absentee ballot fraud, misrepresentations of one's self, addressing the needs of young mothers and families, along with a clerical question. Other committee concerns were around providing real examples of absentee voter fraud, explaining the mechanics around the travel window to request process mail complete on return on absentee ballots, and voter legislation of people over 65 years old with homes outside of Idaho. More committee questions revolved around agricultural work keeping one from voting within the voting window.  
**VOTE ON MOTION:** **Motion carried by voice vote.**  
**RS 32004:** **Rep. Alfieri** presented **RS 32004** which would eliminate the twice-yearly switch to Daylight Savings Time and would take effect in coordination with two other neighboring states which are enacting similar legislation. Remaining on Standard Time would reduce numerous health and safety risks associated with changing the clocks in the spring and fall.  
**MOTION:** **Rep. Scott** made a motion to introduce **RS 32004**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**  
**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:14 AM.

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Representative Crane (13)  
Chair

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Liaza Richardson  
Secretary