

MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, January 28, 2026

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman Mitchell, Representatives Holtzclaw, Monks, Shepherd, Crane(12), Handy, Hill, Petzke, Boyle, Harris, Mickelsen, Pohanka, Veile, Gannon, Green

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Harris

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 Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:29pm.

Chairman Palmer made a unanimous consent request to re-order the agenda. There being no objection, the request was granted.

RS 33097C1: **Speaker Moyle**, District 10, stated the purpose of this joint memorial is to express opposition of the Idaho Legislature to any proposal by the state of Utah to impose an export tax on transportation fuels sold outside of its borders. He explained this action would cause an increase in fuel costs for Idaho families, farmers, and businesses, despite Idahoans already paying fuel taxes to support Idaho's transportation system. This memorial urges continued interstate cooperation and good faith dialogue to address transportation funding and energy policy issues in a manner that preserves affordable energy prices and maintains the longstanding cooperative relationship between Idaho and Utah.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to introduce **RS 33097C1** and recommend it be sent directly to the Second Reading Calendar. **Motion carried by voice vote. Speaker Moyle** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 32839: **Rep. Handy**, District 27, stated this proposed legislation streamlines processes in **Idaho Code, Sections 49-1203 and Section 18-8002**. Changes include using "record" of judgment rather than "certified copies" of judgment, and changes references of seven "calendar" days to seven "business" days to request an administrative license suspension hearing. Finally, this proposed legislation clarifies if a hearing date is not requested, it will be recorded as a default judgment.

MOTION: **Rep. Pohanka** made a motion to introduce **RS 32839**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33040: **Rep. Petzke**, District 21, stated this proposed legislation requires a person to apply for an Idaho driver's license and register vehicles within 30 days of becoming an Idaho resident.

MOTION: **Rep. Crane (12)** made a motion to introduce **RS 33040**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:40pm.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Tracey McDonnell
Secretary