

MINUTES
HOUSE JUDICIARY, RULES & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2026

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Skaug, Vice Chairman Alfieri, Representatives Scott, Ehardt, Erickson, Garner, Handy, Hawkins, Hill, Hostetler, Pohanka, Shirts, Hall (Stone), Gannon, Mathias, Rubel

**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 Skaug called the meeting to order at 1:31pm.

MOTION: **Rep. Hostetler** made a motion to approve the February 9, 2026 meeting minutes. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

MOTION: **Rep. Erickson** made a motion to send **H 522** to the second reading calendar. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33227C1: **Rep. Scott** presented **RS 33227C1** regarding child custody interference.

MOTION: **Rep. Erickson** made a motion to introduce **RS 33227C1** with the following changes: page 2, line 3, strike "all", insert "any". **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33258: **Rep. Veile** presented **RS 33258** regarding electronic storage detection dogs.

MOTION: **Rep. Shirts** made a motion to introduce **RS 33258**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Chairman Skaug turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Alfieri**.

H 521: **Rep. Pohanka** presented **H 521** regarding fingerprint screening.

Leila McNeill, Bureau Chief, Idaho State Police Bureau of Investigation, testified in support.

MOTION: **Rep. Shirts** made a motion to send **H 521** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Pohanka** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 570: **Rep. Pohanka** presented **H 570** regarding reckless driving.

Committee inquired regarding the definition of "active", impact of construction zone design, and driver responsibility.

Kinsey Thatcher, Rex Ingram, President, Idaho Chiefs of Police Association, **Thomas DeFur**, Caldwell Police Department, **Fritz Zweigart**, Idaho State Police, **Chantel Kelly**, Principal, Caldwell High School, **Deputy Chief Zach Hessing**, Ada County Sheriffs Office, and **Sean Schupack**, Idaho Associated General Contractors, testified in support.

Daniel Murphy testified in opposition.

Committee inquired regarding clarification between the penalties of speeding and hitting a pedestrian, current law in school zones, insufficient quantity of troopers, context of reckless driving statistics, exacerbation by drug and alcohol use, options for increasing penalties for speeding infractions, officer discretion, and suspension of drivers licenses.

ORIGINAL MOTION:

Rep. Hill made a motion to send **H 570** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

MOTION:

Rep. Scott made a motion to send **H 570** to General Orders.

Due to the maker of the original motion being absent from the room, the original motion is withdrawn.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Rep. Pohanka requested a roll call vote. **Motion carried by a vote of 13 AYE, 1 NAY, 2 Absent/Excused. Voting in favor** of the motion: **Reps. Skaug, Alfieri, Scott, Ehardt, Erickson, Garner, Handy, Hostetler, Shirts, Stone, Gannon, Carlson, Rubel. Voting in opposition** to the motion: **Rep. Pohanka. Reps. Hawkins** and **Mathias** were **absent/excused. Rep. Pohanka** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Vice Chairman Alfieri turned the gavel over to **Chairman Skaug**.

Chairman Skaug put the committee at ease at 3:02pm.

Chairman Skaug reconvened the meeting at 3:03pm.

MOTION:

Rep. Erickson made a motion to reconsider the motion on **H 522. Motion carried by voice vote.**

MOTION:

Rep. Erickson made a motion send **H 522** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Hill** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:03pm.

Representative Alfieri
Vice Chair

Nancy Conrad
Secretary