

MINUTES  
**HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 11, 2026

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

**PLACE:** Room EW40

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Scott, Representatives Palmer, Holtzclaw, Skaug, Alfieri, Crane(12), Boyle, Dygert, Mickelsen, Pohanka, Bingham, Church, Haws

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representatives Skaug, Mickelsen, Crane (12)

**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 9:00 A.M.

**RS 33584:** **Rep. Tanner (13)** presented **RS 33584**. This proposed bill is a slight modification to Idaho code 34-906 concerning general elections. When the general election ballot contains a constitutional amendment or another issue, current law requires that a page break occur between the ballot and the issue, or that the issue be printed on a separate page from the rest of the ballot. This proposed bill will allow the constitutional amendment or issue being considered to begin on the same page or on the back of the same page as the rest of the ballot.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Scott** made a motion to introduce **RS 33584**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 33633:** **Rep. Mitchell** presented **RS 33633**. This proposed bill cleans up three additional sections that were inadvertently missed including soil and water conservation districts, sparsely populated precincts, and canvassing time lines.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Alfieri** made a motion to introduce **RS 33633**.

A committee member asked a question regarding odd numbers verses even numbers and **Chairman Crane (13)** asked if this potential bill replaces a current bill in House State Affairs.

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

**RS 33656:** **Rep. Fuhriman** presented **RS 33656**. This proposed legislation establishes basic youth protection standards for youth service organizations not currently required to run background checks. It requires organizations that supervise children to conduct Registered Sex Offender Registry checks for adults who regularly work with or volunteer with children.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Bingham** made a motion to introduce **RS 33656**.

Committee members had comments and questions regarding how this potential legislation affects churches, coverage for Vacation Bible School events, church requirements from the insurance companies, the fiscal note, and the state budget.

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

**Chairman Crane (13)** put the committee at ease at 9:08 A.M. **Chairman Crane (13)** called the meeting to order at 9:09 A.M.

**RS 33683:** **Rep. Monks** presented **RS 33683**. This memorial expresses the position of the Idaho Legislature in support of **President Trump's** desire to eliminate the United States Department of Education and to return primary authority over education policy to the states.

A committee member asked if the preference is for a full hearing or to send the potential legislation to the Second Reading Calendar.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Palmer** made a motion to introduce **RS 33683** and recommend it be sent directly to the Second Reading Calendar.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** **Rep. Church** made a substitute motion to introduce **RS 33683**.

Committee members had comments and questions in regards to transparency as it relates to the fiscal note, federal law bureaucracy, oversee Title 9, and special education and policy. Other members had comments and questions regarding career technical on the national level not seeing a decline in services in the different areas, massive changes in policy should have a full hearing with public feedback, testimony on whether Idaho tax payers dollars will be spent more efficiently to set up more structure to support students, fiscal responsibility, and an additional hearing needed to discuss evidence.

**Chairman Crane (13)** asked if the Superintendent of Public Instruction would appear to testify for a full hearing and commented on the frustration of shifting education policies with every new administration. Other members had questions regarding what committee would carry the hearing, special education aligning federal laws with massive cost, the need of a hearing to get the information on the record, **Carl D. Perkins** Vocational and Technical Education Act, state guided burden shifts, student-teacher interface, wanting more state control, and the preparation for the impact of this type of change.

**VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** **Substitute motion carried by voice vote.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 A.M.

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Representative Crane (13)  
Chair

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Liaza Richardson  
Secretary