MINUTES

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE:	Friday, March 13, 2026
TIME:	9:00 A.M.
PLACE:	Room C310
MEMBERS:	Chairman Tanner(14), Vice Chairman Miller, Representatives Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green
ABSENT/ EXCUSED:	Representatives Furniss, Manwaring, 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 Tanner (14) called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

H 836: **Sen. Hart** presented **H 836**, legislation similar to **H 413** (2025), which passed the House last year but failed in the Senate Finance Committee. The bill addressed long-term vacant positions and proposed transferring one-third of those vacancies to the legislative branch. He stated the **H 836** proposal was scaled back due to rescissions this year and aimed to highlight the relatively small legislative budget and the need for additional resources. He noted amendments would be needed to protect positions at the Idaho State Police and the Department of Labor; he suggested sending the bill to General Orders for revisions.

Rep. Petzke raised concerns the bill did not distinguish between General Fund, federal, or dedicated funds. **Rep. Green** suggested vacant positions be transferred to the Idaho State Police.

MOTION: **Rep. Bruce** made a motion to send **H 836** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote. Co-Chair Tanner (14)** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

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Representative Tanner (14)
Chair

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Alyson Jackson
Secretary