TITLE 67
STATE GOVERNMENT AND STATE AFFAIRS

CHAPTER 93
COMMITTEE ON FEDERALISM

67-9301. COMMITTEE ON FEDERALISM -- APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS -- ORGANIZATION -- POWERS AND DUTIES.
(1) There is hereby created the committee on federalism, which shall consist of ten (10) members, with five (5) members from the senate as appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate, one (1) of whom shall be a member of the minority party and one (1) of whom shall be cochair of the committee, and five (5) members from the house of representatives as appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one (1) of whom shall be a member of the minority party and one (1) of whom shall be cochair of the committee. Members shall be appointed based on knowledge of and experience with the United States and Idaho constitutions. The committee is authorized to receive input, advice, and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not members of the legislature.

(2) The committee shall monitor and review federal acts, laws, and regulations that may impact the jurisdiction, governance, and sovereignty of the state of Idaho. The committee shall evaluate whether said federal acts, laws, and regulations are authorized by the United States constitution or if they violate the principles of federalism. The cochairs of the committee may create subcommittees to study various federal matters including, but not limited to, health care, transportation, agriculture, education, and federal lands, and for each subcommittee may appoint one (1) sub-cochair from the senate and one (1) sub-cochair from the house of representatives to act as cochairs of a subcommittee. The sub-cochairs of each subcommittee may appoint ad hoc legislative members and other advisors to serve on the subcommittee but in no event shall a subcommittee have more than seven (7) members, including the sub-cochairs. Any advisors to the subcommittee who are not legislative members shall not be reimbursed from legislative funds for per diem, mileage, or other expenses and shall not have voting privileges regarding the subcommittee’s recommendations and proposed legislation. The subcommittees shall report any recommendations or proposed legislation to the committee as a whole. The committee shall from time to time advise the legislature of its findings and recommendations.

(3) The committee shall meet at least twice a year and may be called for special meetings by the cochairs of the committee. Six (6) members shall constitute a quorum. Members of the committee shall be compensated as provided by the citizens' committee on legislative compensation in the same manner as interim legislative meetings, which compensation shall be paid from the legislative account.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the committee, acting through the cochairs, may utilize staff and resources within state government.

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