

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Monday, January 18, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
RS28180	Hands-free devices	Chairman Palmer
RS28219	USS Idaho, commissioning	Rep. Syme

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairman Palmer Rep Holtzclaw
Vice Chairman DeMordaunt Rep Monks
Rep Gestrin Rep Syme
Rep Youngblood Rep Blanksma
Rep Dixon Rep Addis
Rep Harris Rep Manwaring

Rep Mitchell
Rep Okuniewicz
Rep Shepherd
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Rep McCrostie

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, January 18, 2021
TIME: 1:30 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Addis
GUESTS: **Nick Veldhouse**, IAHD; **Sean Schupack**, AGC
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
Chairman Palmer extended a welcome to the new committee members. **Reps. Mitchell** and **McCrostie** agreed to be proof readers. The Chairman introduced Committee Paige, **Matthew Chrysler**. He is a Senior at Rocky Mountain High School in Meridian. Matt is the son of **Jeremy and Shuree Chrysler**.
RS 28180: **Chairman Palmer** presented **RS 28180**. This proposed legislation clarifies the intent of Idaho Code. The use of a global positioning or navigation system feature of a mobile electronic device by the operator of a motor vehicle is permissible provided it is hands-free use.
MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28180**. **Motion carried by voice vote**.
RS 28219: **Rep. Syme** presented **RS 28219**. This proposed legislation recognizes the significance of the United States Navy naming a ship of the line after the State of Idaho.
MOTION: **Rep. Dixon** made a motion to introduce **RS 28219**. **Motion carried by voice vote**.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AMENDED AGENDA #1
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Tuesday, January 26, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
RS28090	Orchard Training Area, Military	Maj. Stephen Stokes, General Counsel, Idaho National Guard
RS28078	Veterans memorials, appropriations, repeals sections of code	Pete Koehler, Acting Director, Veteran Services
RS28079	G.I. Bill of Rights	Pete Koehler
RS28328	Transportation, motor vehicle title	Rep. Gestrin
H 5	Hands-free Devices	Jeff Neumeyer, VP, General Counsel, United Heritage Group

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**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Monks

GUESTS: Jessica Marcu; Maj. Stephen Stokes, Cpt. Brandon Karpen, IMD; Jeff Neumeyer, United Heritage; Del Chapel; Nick Veldhouse, IAHD

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28090: **Major Stephen Stokes**, General Counsel, Idaho Army National Guard presented **RS 28090**. Major Stokes stated security personnel at the OCTC are not certified law enforcement officers and do not have the authority to arrest. The Idaho Military Division recommends striking the word "arrest" from Code. The Major also said security personnel do not attend the Idaho POST Academy. The requirement to attend does not reflect current procedures. The IMD requests striking the requirement to attend the POST academy from Code.

MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a motion to introduce **RS 28090**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28078: **Pete Koehler**, Interim Administrator, Veteran Services, presented **RS 28078**. Mr. Koehler said this proposed legislation eliminates outdated and unnecessary sections of Code related to state funding of Veterans Memorials.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28078**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28079: **Pete Koehler** presented **RS 28079**. The proposed legislation repeals outdated and unnecessary sections of Code related to males over eighteen years of age.

MOTION: **Rep. Holtzclaw** made a motion to introduce **RS 28079**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28328: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 28328**. Rep. Gestrin stated the purpose of this proposed legislation is to enable the Idaho Transportation Department to issue a letter stating that a lien, filed properly with the department, shall be considered perfected, if ITD is not able to issue title in a timely manner. In answer to a committee question, Rep. Gestrin clarified this legislation pertains only to commercial dealerships where titles need to be processed quickly. He added, ITD converted to a new computer system and it is causing long delays with processing titles.

MOTION: **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to introduce **RS 28328**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 5: **Jeff Neumeyer**, Vice President and General Counsel, United Heritage, presented **H 5**. He stated the legislation clarifies the intent of Code relative to the use of global positioning or navigation systems by the operator of a motor vehicle. Use of these mobile electronic devices is permissible provided it is hands-free.

MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to send **H 5** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

Speaking **in opposition** were **Jessica Marcu, Adrian Marcu, Del Chapel** and **Vitaliy Velich**. Business for entities delivering food, Uber Drivers and others who depend on use of GPS systems will be hampered if use of their device is totally hand-free.

Rep. Holtzclaw spoke **in opposition** stating it was his understanding the food delivery business has doubled in recent months. He doesn't want to get in the way of people earning a living.

Jeff Neumeyer responded to concerns by saying he's sensitive to the issues mentioned. Delivery drivers need access to their GPS. That is permissible if the device is stationed somewhere out of their hands. He added, this issue is now addressed on the new driver exam.

**ROLL CALL
VOTE:**

Chairman Palmer stated he was in doubt regarding the voice vote and called for a roll call vote on the motion. **Motion carried by a vote of 12 AYE, 4 NAY, 2 Absent/Excused. Voting in favor** of the motion: **Reps. Palmer, DeMordaunt, Youngblood, Dixon, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie. Voting in opposition** to the motion: **Reps. Gestrin, Holtzclaw, Okuniewicz, Shepherd. Reps. Monks and Harris** were **Absent/Excused. Rep. Mitchell** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Thursday, January 28, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
HCR 3	USS Idaho Commissioning	Rich Colburn, Chair, USS Idaho Commissioning Committee
RS28216	Snowmobile Avalanche Fund	Rep Gestrin
RS28217	Snowmobile Fees	Rep Gestrin
	Idaho Transportation Department Supplemental Budget	Molly McCarty, Gov't Affairs Mgr, ITD

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MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rubel

GUESTS: Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; David Claiborne, IRC; Sandra Mitchell, IRC - ISSA
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

HCR 3 **Rep. Syme** introduced **Rich Colburn**, Chairman, USS Idaho Commissioning Committee who presented **HCR 3**. Mr. Colburn cited the significance of the United States Navy naming a ship of the line after the Great State of Idaho. The USS Idaho will be the 5th ship to be named such and the first ship in 100 years to bear the name of USS Idaho. It is appropriate for the ship to be a submarine as Idaho has strong ties to the submarine community of the U.S. Navy. INL in eastern Idaho was the training ground for the first nuclear submarines. Bayview in north Idaho has contributed to the development of submarine design.

MOTION: **Rep. Syme** made a motion to send **HCR 3** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 28216: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 28216**. The proposed legislation will establish a statewide snowmobile avalanche fund from voluntary user fees. The fund will be used to support avalanche awareness education, forecasting, warning systems and avalanche response throughout Idaho.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to introduce **RS 28216**.
Rep. Gestrin responded to committee questions. He will offer specifics relative to the funding at the full bill hearing.

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

RS 28217: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 28217**. The proposed legislation increases volunteer user fees. The fees are used to construct and maintain groomed snowmobile trails throughout the state. The funds are also used to maintain winter parking lots, toilets, grooming huts as well as equipment purchases and labor.

MOTION: **Rep. Shepherd** made a motion to introduce **RS 28217**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Mollie McCarty, Government Affairs Manager, Idaho Transportation Department, presented the ITD Supplemental Budget. Ms. McCarty listed the supplemental items for this year. There are the Governor's state funded "Building Idaho's Future" items, which include community airports, rail safety and child pedestrian safety. The Governor's recommended supplemental spending for federal funds from the Omnibus COVID Relief Act of 2020, include improvements to bridges, rough pavements and enhanced mobility (public transportation). A significant number of committee members expressed their concern regarding budget funding sources and expenditures. In response to committee questions, Ms. McCarty will provide comparisons and other requested budget figures.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

Representative Palmer
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AMENDED AGENDA #1
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
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Tuesday, February 02, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
RS28068	Driver's licenses, violations	Rep. Chaney
RS28085	Vehicle sales, delivery of title	Rep. Addis
RS28203	Purple heart, license plates	Rep. Syme
RS28310	Snowmobiles, off-highway vehicles	Rep. Gestrin
H 46	Orchard training area, military	Major Stephen Stokes, General Counsel, ID Nat'l Guard
H 47	Veterans memorials, approps, repeal	Kevin Wallior, ID Division of Veteran Services
H 48	G.I. Bill of Rights	Kevin Wallior

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HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Tuesday, February 02, 2021
- TIME:** 1:30 P.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW40
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Rubel
- GUESTS:** Carson Tester, Westerberg & Assoc.; Maj. Steve Stokes, IMD; David Claiborn, ISATVA
- Chairman Palmer** called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
- MOTION:** **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 28068:** **Rep. Chaney** presented **RS 28068**. The proposed legislation eliminates obsolete parts of Code relative to driver's licenses and driver violations.
- MOTION:** **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28068**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 28203:** **RS 28203**, presented by **Rep. Syme**, would allow a Purple Heart recipient to have more than two vehicles with Purple Heart license plates.
- MOTION:** **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to introduce **RS 28203**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 28310:** **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 28310**. The intension of this proposed legislation is to streamline the administration of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation user certificate programs for off road vehicles and snowmobiles.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Addis** made a motion to introduce **RS 28310**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- H 46:** **H 46** was presented by **Major Stephen Stokes**, General Counsel for the Idaho National Guard. This bill strikes the word "arrest" from Code because security personnel at the Orchard Combat Training Center only have the authority to "detain" suspects until local law enforcement can respond to an incident. **H 46** also strikes the requirement for OCTC security personnel to attend the Idaho POST Academy.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Monks** made a motion to send **H 46** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** with sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 47:** **Kevin Wallior**, Division of Veteran Services, presented **H 47**. This legislation eliminates inactive provisions of law. It repeals outdated and unnecessary sections of Code related to state funding for Veterans Memorials.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Syme** made a motion to send **H 47** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 48:** **Kevin Wallior** presented **H 48**. This legislation repeals outdated and unnecessary sections of Code related to males over eighteen years of age being able to enter into contracts under the G.I. Bill of Rights.

MOTION: **Rep. Syme** made a motion to send **H 48** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
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Thursday, February 04, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 49	Motor vehicle title, perfection	Rep. Gestrin

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 04, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Harris, Blanksma

GUESTS: Brian Goeke, ITD

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

H 49: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 49**. Rep. Gestrin said there is a large backlog of dealer title applications at county offices across the state. This has resulted in the delay of title issuance. As a result, lienholders who do not receive their titles in a timely manner are contacting dealers with demand letters. This bill provides if the title application and supporting documents have been filed properly, but the title is not issued in a timely manner, a letter from the Idaho Department of Transportation will help satisfy lien perfection (a free and clear title).

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 49** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Monday, February 08, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 60	Snowmobile Avalanche Fund	Rep. Gestrin
H 61	Snowmobile fees	Rep. Gestrin
RS28439	Sales tax rebate, road materials	Rep. Monks

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**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: Larry Laxon, ISSA & Valley Co; Sandra F. Mitchell, Terri Klanderud, ISSA; Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; David Claiborne, ID State ATV Assoc

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:27 p.m.

Reps. Syme and Holtzclaw presented U.S. flags from the committee to **Major General Michael Garshak**, Adjutant General of Idaho and Commanding General of the Idaho National Guard. He was accompanied by **Lt. Colonel Nicole Washington**. The flags, flown over the U.S. Capital and the Idaho State Capital, were given in honor of three Idaho National Guard helicopter pilots who went down during a training mission, February 2, 2021. The flags will be given to the families of **CW4 Jesse Anderson, CW3 Geoff Laubhan, and CW3 Matthew Peltzer**.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2, and February 4, 2021, meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 61: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 61**. **H 61** raises the snowmobile use certificate fee from \$31.00 to \$49.50. This volunteer user fee has not been increased for several years. These fees are used to construct and maintain groomed snowmobile trails, maintain winter parking lots, toilets, grooming huts and for equipment purchases and labor. Increased fees will support the state search and rescue fund as well as assist the Idaho Department of Lands with recreation management.

Speaking **in support** of the bill, representing the Idaho State Snowmobile Association, were **Larry Laxon, Sandra Mitchell** and **Terri Klanderud**.

A significant number of questions were asked by the committee. Their concerns were addressed by **Rep. Gestrin** and those **in support** of the bill.

MOTION: **Rep. Dixon** made a motion to send **H 61** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 60: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 60**. This bill will establish a statewide snowmobile avalanche fund from the purchase of snowmobile use certificates. The avalanche fund will be used to support avalanche awareness, education, forecasting, warning systems and avalanche response throughout the state. **Rep. Gestrin** addressed committee concerns.

Larry Laxon, Idaho State Snowmobile Association, spoke **in support** of the bill.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 60** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 28439: **Rep. Monks** presented **RS 28439**. The proposed legislation provides a mechanism for governmental agencies to receive a rebate for sales and use taxes on road materials used for construction, repair or replacement of highways, streets, roads and alleys. Those taxes are currently collected differently depending on who owns the vehicles placing the material on the ground.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28439**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Representative Palmer
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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
	Presentation	Colonel Rick "Face" Goodman, Commander, 366th Fighter Wing, Mtn. Home AFB
RS28085	Vehicle sales, delivery of title	Brian Goeke, ITD
RS28394	Off-highway vehicles	Rep. Gestrin
RS28441	Railroad grade crossings	Jason Kreizenbeck, ACHD
RS28443	Sidewalks, widths	Jason Kreizenbeck
RS28479	POW/MIA Memorial Highway	Rep. Syme
RS28424	Transportation funding	Rep. Palmer

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**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; Brian Goeke, ITD; Jason Kreisenbeck, ACHD; David Claiborn, ISATVA

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Colonel Richard A. Goodman, Wing Commander, 366th Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, presented an overview of "The Gunfighter Story". He said the Wing vision is to be our nation's premiere combat wing, built on a team of resilient and innovative Gunfighters - ready to dominate any adversary. The Colonel highlighted construction projects on the Base which include, development of a sustainable water system, a geothermal energy project, hospital conversion, construction of a control and reporting center, child development center and dormitory renovation. He added, the Mountain Home Air Force Base has unobstructed air space with minimal encroachment and is a national treasure. Colonel Goodman assured the committee, the Mountain Home Air Force Base is in Idaho to stay. He addressed committee questions before he concluded his presentation. An invitation was extended to the committee to tour the Base and was graciously accepted.

RS 28085: **Brian Goeke**, ITD, presented **RS 28085**. As of January 1, 2021, the federal odometer law that exempts mileage disclosure on a vehicle due to its age, changed from 10 years to twenty. This proposed legislation modifies the duplicate title and transfer process in Code to align with federal odometer law changes, beginning with the 2011 model year.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28085**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28394: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **RS 28394**. The proposed legislation is intended to generate greater economic activity in rural communities by allowing OHV's to safely travel on portions of state highways.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to introduce **RS 28394**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 28441: **Jason Kreizenbeck**, representing ACHD, introduced **Steve Price**, General Counsel for Ada County Highway District. Mr. Price presented **RS 28441**. The proposed legislation makes it the responsibility of railroads to construct and maintain roads and highways at railroad crossings, the full width of their right-of-way.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28441**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

- RS 28443:** **Steve Price** presented **RS 28443**. The purpose of the proposed legislation is to give local highway jurisdictions the authority to develop uniform width sidewalks and side paths within a project and/or within a transportation corridor.
- MOTION:** **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to introduce **RS 28443**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 28479:** **Rep. Syme** said the proposed legislation will include Highway 26 where it crosses Idaho, in a campaign to designate Highway 26 as it crosses the nation, as the POW/MIA Highway. He asked the committee to introduce **RS 28479** with the following change: on line 13 change "shall" to "may".
- MOTION:** **Rep. Addis** made a motion to introduce **RS 28479** with the following change: on line 13 change the word "shall" to "may". **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- Chairman Palmer** turned the gavel over **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** at 2:12 p.m.
- RS 28424:** **Rep. Palmer** presented **RS 28424**. The proposed legislation amends the Transportation and Expansion Mitigation Program, to provide for additional funds for Idaho's roads and bridges. It allows for local governments to participate in bonding for projects and increases the fees for issuing automobile titles.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to introduce **RS 28424**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** turned the gavel over to **Chairman Palmer** at 2:17 p.m.
- ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Representative Palmer
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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
Upon Adjournment
Room EW40
Friday, February 12, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
RS28320C2	National Guard	Rep. Adams
RS28448	Vehicle reg discount, military	Rep. Christensen
RS28492	License plates, rear only	Rep. von Ehlinger
RS28459	Vehicle load coverings	Rep. Ferch
RS28417	Motor vehicles, route designations	Roy Eiguren, Amalgamated Sugar Co.
RS28501	Transportation, fee increases	Murphy Ohlmstead, Idaho Sheriffs Association
RS28553	Bobby Chambers memorial highway	Rep. Troy
RS28546	Snowmobiles, fees	Rep. Gestrin
RS28513	Highways, local jurisdiction	Rep. Gestrin
RS28369	Custom vehicle license plates	Rep. Manwaring

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Chairman Palmer	Rep Holtzclaw
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Rep Gestrin	Rep Syme
Rep Youngblood	Rep Blanksma
Rep Dixon	Rep Addis
Rep Harris	Rep Manwaring

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 12, 2021

TIME: Upon Adjournment

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Okuniewicz, McCrostie

GUESTS: Carson Tester, Westerberg & Assoc; Brian Goeke, ITD
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 11:46 a.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to introduce the following: **RS 28448; RS 28492; RS 28459; RS 28417; RS 28501; RS 28553; RS 28546; RS 28513; RS 28369.**
Rep. Monks spoke to the motion. He stated voting for the motion doesn't necessarily mean there is universal support for the individual pieces of proposed legislation.
Rep. Harris spoke in **opposition** to the motion. He was of the opinion each piece of proposed legislation should be heard.
Rep. Rubel inquired as to whether **Rep. Adams** would be able to present **RS 28320C2**. **Chairman Palmer** assured her, Rep. Adams would be afforded the opportunity to stand before the committee with his proposed legislation.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Harris** requested he be recorded as voting **NAY.**
Chairman Palmer put the committee at ease to await the arrival of **Rep. Adams**, who was presenting in another committee.
Chairman Palmer resumed the meeting.

RS 28320C2: **Rep. Adams** presented **RS 28320C2**, "The Defend the Guard Act". The proposed legislation requires that congress has the exclusive power to declare war. A declaration of war must be enacted to call the National Guard into active duty combat.

MOTION: **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to introduce **RS 28320C2**. **Motion failed by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Tuesday, February 16, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 84	Driver's licenses, violations	Rep. Addis
H 128	Vehicle sales, delivery of title	Rep. Addis
H 85	Purple heart, license plates	Rep. Syme
H 132	POW/MIA Memorial Highway	Rep. Syme

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Rep Harris Rep Manwaring

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TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative Youngblood

GUESTS: Carson Tester, Westerberg & Associates; Matthew Conde, AAA Idaho; Brian Goeke, ITD; Nicia Chopski, POW*MIA Awareness Assn; Mark Stevensen, National League of POW/MIA Families; Ian Freeman, Bill Hamilton, Military Order of Purple Heart; Al Cole, VFW Post 2738; Ryan Lancaster; 1SG (R) Richard Debilzan, Dessert Storm Veteran; Margie Baker, Casey Baker

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 84: **Brian Goeke, DMV Policy Manager, Idaho Transportation Department,** presented **H 84.** This legislation eliminates two obsolete parts of Code. Being eliminated is the outdated practice of requiring drivers to surrender their driver's license when their driving privileges are withdrawn. The bill also repeals a section of Code relating to the Non-Resident Violator Compact (known as NRVC). Idaho no longer participates in the NRVC, which is a reciprocal agreement among states to ensure payment of fines, by suspending individuals for unpaid fines in other states. Leaving this Code in tact causes confusion with other states regarding whether or not Idaho is still a participating state.

Speaking **in opposition** were: **Matthew Conde**, AAA Idaho and **Mike Kane**, American Property and Casualty Insurance.

Margie Baker spoke **in support** of the bill.

Brian Goeke addressed concerns. He said Idaho Transportation Department has no ability to enforce the statute. Other states in the NRVC have already been notified Idaho is no longer a participant.

H 128: **Brian Goeke** presented **H 128.** As of January 1, 2021, the federal odometer law that exempts disclosure on a vehicle due to its age, changed from ten to twenty years. The federal odometer law requires a seller to disclose mileage to the buyer on the title certificate unless the vehicle is exempt. This bill modifies the duplicate title and transfer process in Code to align with federal odometer law changes, beginning with the 2011 model year.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 128** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Addis** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 85: **Rep. Syme** presented **H 85.** Current law allows a Purple Heart recipient to have only two vehicles with Purple Heart plates. This legislation will allow a Purple Heart recipient to have more than two vehicles with Purple Heart license plates.

MOTION: **Rep. Dixon** made a motion to send **H 85** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 132: **Rep. Syme** presented **H 132**. This bill addresses an effort to designate Highway 26 as it crosses the nation, as the POW/MIA Highway. **H 132** will name Highway 26 where it crosses Idaho, the POW/MIA Highway. **Rep. Syme** requested the bill be sent to General Orders to correct an error, by changing "shall" to "may" on line 14.

MOTION: **Rep. Manwaring** made a motion to send **H 132** to General Orders with an amendment as follows: change "shall" to "may" on line 14.

Speaking **in support** of **H 132** were **Mark Stevensen**, **Ian Freeman**, Idaho Chapter of the Purple Heart and **Ryan Lancaster**. Mr. Lancaster, a traffic engineer, encouraged protection of highway engineering principles. He recommended the POW/MIA Memorial Highway designation signs be placed in rest areas or scenic turn-outs. He also suggested providing certain biographical information on POW/MIA soldiers on the signs.

Rep. Syme explained there is no requirement in **H 132** for the placement of signs, as that is an Idaho Department of Transportation issue.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Syme** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Thursday, February 18, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 157	Vehicle registration discount, military	Rep. Christensen
H 158	License plates, rear only	Rep. von Ehlinger
H 165	Custom vehicle license plates	Rep. Manwaring
H 86	Snowmobiles, off-highway vehicles	Rep. Gestrin

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 18, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Monks, Blanksma, Rubel

GUESTS: Brian Goeke, ITD; Troy Elmore, Anna Canning, Susan Buxton, IDPR; Devin Muchow, Nick Lehman, Nampa Highway; Timothy Richard, Canyon Highway; David Claiborne, IRC

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Committee Page, **Matthew Chrysler** was recognized for his outstanding service to the committee.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 157: **Rep. Christensen** presented **H 157**. This legislation will give Idaho residents, while stationed out-of-state serving in the military, a 50% reduction on one vehicle registration.

MOTION: **Rep. Youngblood** made a motion to send **H 157** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation

In answer to committee questions, **Rep. Christensen** clarified the accuracy of the Fiscal Note and, one 50% discount will apply per active duty military member.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Christensen** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 158: **Rep. von Ehlinger** presented **H 158**. Rep. von Ehlinger said some vehicles are originally manufactured without a bracket, device or other means to display and secure a front licence plate. This bill provides that certain vehicles are allowed to display one plate attached to the rear of the vehicle.

MOTION: **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to send **H 158** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Syme** requested he be recorded as voting **NAY. Rep. von Ehlinger** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 165: **Rep. Manwaring** presented **H 165**. He said the purpose of this legislation is to create a custom vehicle license plate for replica vehicles. Those vehicles designed and manufactured to resemble classic vehicles will be exempt from displaying Idaho classic license plates.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 165** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Manwaring** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 86: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 86**. He introduced **David Claiborne**, President, Idaho ATV Association. Mr. Clairborne said the bill streamlines efficiencies in the administration of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR) user certificate programs for OHVs (off highways vehicles) and snowmobiles. This bill will make the pay-to-play sticker program administered by IDPR simpler, more efficient, and less costly to administer. It also directs IDPR to provide multiple-year stickers for OHVs and snowmobiles. Additionally, the bill clarifies the following: accidents involving property damage only need to be reported if the damage is to property other than the operator's property.

MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a motion to send **H 86** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Monday, February 22, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 112	Sales tax rebate, road materials	Rep. Monks
H 154	Vehicle inspection programs	Rep. Adams
H 160	Motor vehicles, route designations	Roy Eiguren, Amalgamated Sugar Co.
RS28631	Snowmobile fees	Rep. Gestrin

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Monday, February 22, 2021
- TIME:** 1:30 P.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW40
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; Matthew Conde, AAA; Chyla Wilson, Farm Bureau; Adam Ackerman, Roger Hott, ID Asphalt Supply; Allen Hodges, Jason Kreisenbeck, ITA
- Chairman Palmer** called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- H 112:** **Rep. Monks** presented **H 112**. He said this bill provides a mechanism for governmental agencies that receive highway funding, to receive a rebate for sales and use taxes collected and remitted to the state tax commission. The taxes are sometimes collected and paid on road materials used in the construction, repair or replacement of highways, streets, roads and/or alleys. Currently those taxes are collected differently on road materials depending upon who owns the vehicles placing the road materials on the ground. Consequently, money set aside for transportation is being funneled off and deposited into the general fund. This legislation will ensure monies designated for transportation are used for transportation.
- Testifying **in support** of the bill were **Nick Veldhouse**, Executive Director, Idaho Association of Highway Districts; **Matthew Conde**, AAA; **Chyla Wilson**, Farm Bureau, and **Adam Ackerman**, Regional Sales Director, Idaho Asphalt Supply.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to send **H 112** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Rep. Youngblood** invoked **Rule 80** stating a possible conflict of interest. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Monks** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 154:** **Rep. Adams** presented **H 154**. He said this bill amends current code to provide that certain counties may opt out of vehicle inspection and maintenance programs under specified conditions.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 154** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Gannon, Rubel**, and **McCrostie** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Adams** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 160:** **Roy Eiguren**, representing Amalgamated Sugar Company, presented **H 160**. Mr. Eiguren said in 2019 the Legislature enacted legislation that established processes and fees for local authorities and the Idaho Transportation Department to designate routes and issue permits allowing vehicles with certain Gross Vehicle Weight to access highways and streets under their jurisdictions. The legislation contained sunset clauses to allow interested parties the opportunity to determine the effectiveness of the processes and fees contained in the legislation. All interested parties have requested this legislation to remove the sunset clauses.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **H 160** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. Speaking to her motion, Rep. DeMordaunt commended **Mr. Eiguren** and all concerned parties for coming to a workable agreement on the initial bill, following a long negotiating process. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kauffman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 28631: **Rep. Gestrin** described the proposed legislation, which details voluntary snowmobile user fees, and disbursement of those fees.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 28631** and recommend it be sent directly to the Second Reading Calendar. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Harris, Mitchell, Monks** and **Blanksma** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Chairman Palmer introduced **Taylor Jepson**, committee Page. She will be with the committee for the last half of the session. Taylor is the daughter of **Mark** and **Stacey Jepson** of Nampa, Idaho, where she attends Ridgeview High School. Taylor is sponsored by **Reps. Skaug** and **Youngblood.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Wednesday, February 24, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 131	Sidewalks, width	Jason Kreisenbeck, Ada County Highway District
H 129	Off- highway vehicles	Rep. Gestrin
H 164	Highways, local jurisdiction	Rep. Gestrin

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 24, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Dixon, Holtzclaw

GUESTS: Kelley Packer, AIC; Jake Cluff, AIC/BB&A; Murphy Olmstead, ID Sheriffs Assoc; Brian Goeke, ITD; Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; Jason Kreisenbeck, ACHD; Steve Price, ACHD; David Claiborn, ISATVA; Cynthia Gibson, Idaho Walk Bike Association

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

H 131: **Jason Kreisenbeck**, representing Ada County Highway District, presented **H 131**, legislation giving local highway jurisdictions the authority to develop uniform width sidewalks and side paths within a project and/or within a transportation corridor. The governing board of the local highway jurisdiction will make a written finding for the public necessity of any sidewalk or side path that is greater than eight feet.

Cynthia Gibson, Executive Director, Idaho Walk Bike Alliance, spoke **in support** of **H 131**.

MOTION: **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to send **H 131** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. DeMordaunt** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 129: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 129**. This bill is intended to generate greater economic activity in Idaho's rural communities by allowing OHVs (off highway vehicles) to safely travel on portions of state highways to connect to trails and access needed services in rural areas. The legislation restates Code to provide that off-highway vehicles may operate on all public roads, including state highways, so long as the road is not a controlled access highway, and the speed limit is 60 miles per hour or less.

David Claiborn, Idaho State ATV Association, spoke **in support** of the bill.

Rep. Gestrin responded to committee questions. He said OHVs must carry liability insurance and follow the rules of the road. He added, the driver of the off highway vehicle must have a valid driver's license, with a restricted license plate and recreation sticker on the OHV.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 129** to the floor will a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 164: **Rep. Gestrin** presented **H 164**. The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the option now in law for local jurisdictions to limit or prohibit the use of off-highway vehicles on public roads.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 164** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation

During discussion on the motion, **Rep. McCrostie** said he would vote no, but reserved the option to change his vote on the floor. **Rep. Syme** said he would vote no because he supports local control.

Kelley Packer, representing the Association of Idaho Cities, spoke **in opposition** to the bill. In her opinion, this bill strips local control away from the cities.

David Claiborn stated, the user community is not asking for this legislation. He added, ISATV has no position on this bill.

**SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:**

Rep. Monks made a substitute motion to hold **H 164** for time certain, March 2, 2021.

Reps. Gannon and Harris spoke **in support** of the substitute motion.

**VOTE ON
SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:**

Chairman Palmer called for a vote on the substitute motion to hold **H 164** for time certain, March 2, 2021. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
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AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Tuesday, March 02, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 162	Bobby Chambers Memorial Highway	Rep. Troy
SJM 101	Medal of Honor, state funeral	Rep. Giddings
H 164:	Highways, local jurisdiction	Rep. Gestrin

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, March 02, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Kelley Packer, AIC; Carson Tester, Westerberg and Assoc; Charles Abe Abramson, Idaho American Legion

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2021, and February 24, 2021, meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 162: **Rep. Troy** presented **H 162**. This bill provides for the naming of State Highway 6 near Potlatch, Idaho, in honor of **Robert "Bobby" Chambers**, a Vietnam War hero who earned the Silver Star and Purple Heart on the same day he lost his life in service to his country.

MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to send **H 162** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Troy** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

SJM 101: **Rep. Giddings** presented **SJM 101**. The purpose of this Senate Joint Memorial is to request the President of the United States to designate a state funeral for the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II, when the recipient passes away. A state funeral would provide Idaho and the nation an opportunity to honor 16 million men and women who served in our armed forces from 1941 to 1945.

Abe Abrahamson, State Adjutant for the American Legion, spoke **in support** of the Memorial. He stated there has never been a state funeral for an enlisted person. There are only two Medal of Honor recipients still living.

MOTION: **Rep. Shepherd** made a motion to send **SJM 101** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Giddings** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 164: **Chairman Palmer** returned **H 164** to the committee for consideration. The bill was held for time certain from the meeting of Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

Rep. Gestrin presented **H 164**, legislation to eliminate the option now in law for local jurisdictions to limit or prohibit the use of off-highway vehicles on public roads. **Rep. Gestrin** expressed his desire for the bill to be sent to General Orders.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **H 164** to **General Orders**.

**SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:** **Rep. McCrostie** made a substitute motion to **HOLD H 164** in committee.

**VOTE ON
SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:** **Chairman Palmer** called for a vote on the substitute motion to **HOLD H 164** in committee. **Motion failed by voice vote.**

**VOTE ON
ORIGINAL
MOTION:**

Chairman Palmer called for a vote on the original motion to send **H 164** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

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Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Thursday, March 04, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 161	Transportation, fee increases	Murphy Olmstead, Idaho Sheriff's Association
RS28733	Vehicle manufacturers, licensure	Rep. Palmer

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, March 04, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representative(s) Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Gestrin, Holtzclaw, Blanksma, Gannon, Rubel

GUESTS: Alberto Gonzalez, ITD; Sara Westbrook, IAC; Darin Freiburghaus, Canyon CO. S. O.; Sheriff Steve Bartlett, Ada County SO

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 161: **H 161** was presented by **Murphy Olmstead**, representing the Idaho Sheriffs' Association. Mr. Olmstead stated, Idaho is the only State where the Sheriffs are mandated to be the vendor for driver's licenses and identification cards on behalf of the Transportation Department. The fees distributed to counties to operate the Driver's License offices were initially intended to cover the costs of providing the service. Those fees have not been adjusted in more than 30 years. The cost of providing the service has continued to rise, consequently, many counties are spending large amounts of property tax dollars to subsidize the Transportation Department. The increase allowed for in this bill will reduce the amount of property tax dollars going to support driver's license services. With the passage of this bill, the county taxpayer will no longer subsidize a state service. Mr. Olmstead requested sending the bill to General Orders to refine some of the language.

Speaking **in support** of the legislation were **Alberto Gonzalez**, Idaho Transportation Department, Division Administrator; **Sarah Westbrook**, Policy Director, Idaho Association of Counties; and **Steve Bartlett**, Ada County Sheriff.

MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to send **H 161** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

**SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:** **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a substitute motion to send **H 161** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kauffman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

RS 28733: **Rep. Palmer** presented **RS 28733**. The proposed legislation protects and ensures the Idaho consumer continues to enjoy the benefits of an open, competitive, free market in the purchase of new vehicles. This legislation clarifies existing code that prohibits acts that lessen or eliminate competition or tend to create a monopoly.

MOTION: **Rep. Okuniewicz** made a motion to introduce **RS 28733**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Limited public seating will be available in the committee room. For members of the public to observe the meeting, please click on the following link:

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
S 1104	Railroads, on-track equipment	Rep. Okuniewicz
S 1102	Vehicle registration, electronic	Brody Aston, VITU
H 314	Transportation funding, sales tax	Rep. Palmer

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, March 10, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Dixon, Syme, Rubel, McCrostie

GUESTS: Brian Goeke, Alberto Gonzalez, ITD; Katie Thibyeau, Westerberg & Assoc.; Brody Aston, Russell Westerberg, VITU; Sean Schupack, AGC; Sara Westbrooke, IAC; Matthew Conde, AAA; Fred Birnbaum, ID Freedom Foundation; David Cameron, Rail Conference

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

S 1104: **Rep. Okuniewicz** presented **S 1104**. This legislation is a simple bi-partisan rail safety effort supported by railroad carriers, rail safety advocates, rail labor and railroad contractors. Motorists are responsible to stop a certain number of feet away from a crossing when a train is approaching. Modern on-track maintenance equipment has evolved into "train like" machines that present the same dangers as a train. This legislation adds the language "or other on-track equipment" to code, anywhere it delineates a motorist's responsibilities at a railroad crossing or when a "train" is present.

David Cameron, Teamsters Rail Conference, spoke **in support** of the bill. He commented that some of the new railroad equipment is as big as a locomotive and poses the same dangers at railroad crossings or when a train is present.

MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to send **S 1104** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Okuniewicz** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

S 1102: **Brody Aston**, representing VITU, presented **S 1102**. This legislation provides updates to statute designed to allow the business community and public to conduct their interactions with Idaho Transportation Department completely electronically. The bill creates the authorization for the program which will allow all providers who meet the qualification requirements set by ITD to participate. States that have adopted an Electronic Vehicle Credential Program have reported reduced costs, paperwork and pressure on DMVs while improving customer service. The EVC program authorizes ITD to allow providers to electronically file vehicle titling and registration transactions.

MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to send **S 1102** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Holtzclaw** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

Chairman Palmer turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt**.

H 314: **Rep. Palmer** presented **H 314**. This legislation amends the Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation program, to provide for additional funds for Idaho's roads and bridges. The bill increases the amount of sales tax used to bond for the TECM program and allows for local authorities to participate in bonding. When asked if there is property tax relief built into the bill, Rep. Palmer responded, saying this is a transportation funding bill. He then explained how the bonding mechanism will work.

Sara Westbrook, Idaho Association of Counties spoke **in support** of the bill.

Fred Birnbaum, Idaho Freedom Foundation, spoke to the bill. He said there are aspects of the legislation he supports, while he had issues with some of the wording in the bill.

Rep. Youngblood addressed **Jeremy Chou**, co-sponsor of the bill. Mr. Chou, representing the Idaho Association of Counties and American Council of Engineering Companies, clarified wording in the bill. He further explained the bonding and grant process.

Rep. Youngblood declared rule 80

MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to send **H 314** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. Spoke to his motion saying, this is a good mechanism to get highway funding to the local level.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Rep. Gannon** made a substitute motion to send **H 314** to General Orders. He spoke to the substitute motion, asking if there was any property tax relief in the bill. He said property taxes are on the rise and citizens need tax relief. If the bill went to General Orders tax relief could be written into the bill.

Reps. Blanksma and **Monks** objected to the substitute motion. They agreed the motion was out of order, changed the topic, and did not apply to **H 314**.

Rep. Manwaring spoke **in support** of the original motion.

Rep. Harris said the substitute motion to send **H 314** to General Orders was a hostile motion. He supports the original motion.

VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** called for a vote on the substitute motion to send **H 314** to General Orders. **Motion failed by voice vote.** **Rep. Monks** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** called for a vote on the original motion to send **H 314** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Tuesday, March 16, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
S 1101	Vacation, rights-of-way	Jason Kreizenbeck, Ada County Highway District
H 320	Driver's education	Rep. Mitchell

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, March 16, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Blanksma, Addis

GUESTS: Brian Goeke, ITD; Bonnie Voves, self; Lance Giles, Idaho Walk Bike Alliance; Matthew Conde, AAA; Steve Price, Jason Kreizenbeck, ACHD

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

S 1101: **Jason Kreizenbeck**, Ada County Highway District, presented **S 1101**.

Steve Price, General Council, Ada County Highway District, explained the legislation. The bill deals with the development of existing, but unimproved or undeveloped subdivision plats and the reconfiguration of dedicated public right-of-way within a platted subdivision.

MOTION: **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to send **S 1101** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

In response to committee questions, **Mr. Price** and **Mr. Kreizenbeck** clarified certain points in the bill.

Rep. Youngblood declared Rule 80.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Chairman Palmer** called for a vote on the motion to send **S 1101** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Harris** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

H 320: **Rep. Mitchell** presented **H 320**. This legislation removes the mandatory driver's education requirement, includes Graduated Driver's License rules and allows parents the option to teach their children to drive.

Chairman Palmer turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt**.

Rep. Mitchell answered committee questions. He respectfully requested the bill be sent to General Orders.

Bonnie Voves, Co-sponsor, said the bill does not outlaw driver's education classes. It simply offers parents the option to give their teens guided driving practice in a legal manner. All drivers are required to pass the same state-mandated driving test, whether they have taken driver's education classes or not.

Committee questions were addressed relative to funding, city driving versus rural driving, safety features of driver education vehicles, teen driver statistics and possible unintended consequences of the legislation.

Speaking **in opposition** to the bill were **Lance Giles**, Idaho Walk Bike Alliance, and **Matthew Conde** representing AAA and Idaho American Casualty Property Insurers. They expressed concern for parent taught drivers and the likelihood of an increase in accidents.

MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a motion to send **H 320** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Rep. McCrostie** made a substitute motion to **HOLD H 320** in committee.

AMENDED SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made an amended substitute motion to send **H 320** to General Orders.

VOTE ON AMENDED SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** called for a vote on the amended substitute motion to send **H 320** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. McCrostie** requested he be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Mitchell** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

MOTION: **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Representative DeMordaunt
Vice Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary

AMENDED AGENDA #1
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
2:00 P.M.
Room EW40
Wednesday, April 07, 2021

Limited public seating will be available in the committee room. For members of the public to observe the meeting, please click on the following link:

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 362	Transportation Funding	Rep. Palmer

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, April 07, 2021
TIME: 2:00 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative(s) Harris, Gannon, McCrostie
GUESTS: Wayne Hammon, AGC, IACI; Elizabeth Criner, Food Northwest; Jeremy Chou, ACFC
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
Chairman Palmer turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt.**
H 362: **Rep. Palmer** explained the distribution of money between the ITD and the local units of government. He stated ITD will get a continuous appropriation of \$80,000,000 annually with any remainder generated by the growth of the 4 1/2% sales tax distribution going to locals.
MOTION: **Rep. Monks** made a motion to send **H 362** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.
Wayne Hammon, AGC, IACI, thanked **Chairman Palmer** for finding a compromise that was agreeable to all parties involved, noting support from both AGC and IACI.
Rep. Youngblood declared Rule 80 stating a possible conflict of interest but that he would be voting on the legislation.
VOTE ON MOTION: **Vice Chairman DeMordaunt** called for a vote on the motion to send **H 362** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Palmer** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
Vice Chairman DeMordaunt turned the gavel over to **Chairman Palmer.**
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Representative Demordaunt
Vice Chair

Joan Majors
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Monday, April 12, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
S 1107aa	Highway districts, urban renewal	Jason Kreizenbeck, Ada County Highway District

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, April 12, 2021
TIME: 1:30 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Rubel
GUESTS: Russell Westerberg, CCDC; Jason Kreizenbeck, ACHD; Benn Brocksome RAI
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
S 1107aa: **Jason Kreizenbeck**, Ada County Highway District, said this legislation was created to prevent urban renewal districts from taking a highway district's property tax increment without the highway district's approval for any urban renewal districts created after July 1, 2020.
Steve Price, General Council for Ada County Highway District, clarified a committee question.
MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to send **S 1107aa** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Rep. Youngblood** declared Rule 80 stating a possible conflict of interest but that he would be voting on the legislation. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Manwaring** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY. Rep. Demordaunt** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joan Majors
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M.
Room EW40
Wednesday, April 14, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H 161aa,aaS	Transportation Fee Increase	Rep. Kauffman
H 229aaS	Snowmobile Fees <i>(Committee concurrence on Senate Amendments – No further testimony will be taken)</i>	Rep. Gestrin

If you have written testimony, please provide a copy to the committee secretary.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, April 14, 2021
TIME: 1:30 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representative(s) Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative(s) Gestrin
GUESTS: Murphy Olmstead, Idaho Sheriff's Association; Sara Westbrook, Idaho Association of Counties; Terry Derden, Ada County Sheriff; Kieran Donahue, Canyon County Sheriff
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:33pm.
MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 7 and April 12, 2021 meetings with the following correction: On page one of the April 7, 2021 minutes, under public testimony for **H 362, Wayne Hammon's** name should be spelled "Hammon" not "Hammer." **Motion carried by voice vote.**
Chairman Palmer announced he will be presenting the bills on the agenda because both bill sponsors had scheduling conflicts.
H 161aa,aaS: **Chairman Palmer** stated **H 161aa,aaS** is before the committee to concur on Senate amendments. He explained the Senate found that all driver's license fees were inadvertently increased, so the amendment removes the increase to commercial driver's license fees.
MOTION: **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 161aa,aaS**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kauffman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
H 229aaS: **Chairman Palmer** stated **H 229aaS** is before the committee to concur on Senate amendments. He explained the Senate increased the fees for snowmobile use certificates on page one, line 23 and page two, lines 16 and 17.
Committee members spoke with concern over the level of increase to the fees and expressed discomfort that the Senate's increases are too high.
MOTION: **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 229aaS**. She spoke to her motion recalling there was substantial support from the snowmobile community, who would be paying these fees, to provide funding for trail maintenance and protection from avalanches.
SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a substitute motion to not concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 229aaS**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48pm.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Tracey McDonnell
Secretary

AGENDA
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE
Upon Adjournment From the Floor
Room EW40
Friday, April 16, 2021

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SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
H229aaS	Snowmobile Fees <i>(Committee concurrence on Senate Amendments - No further testimony will be taken)</i>	Rep. Gestrin

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, April 16, 2021
TIME: Upon Adjournment From the Floor
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel, McCrostie
ABSENT/EXCUSED: Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representative(s) Youngblood, Holtzclaw, Blanksma
GUESTS: None

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 12:06pm.

H 229aaS: **Chairman Palmer** stated when he presented **H 229aaS** in committee on April 14, 2021, for **Rep. Gestrin**, who was taking care of a family emergency, he did not have all of the pertinent information necessary for the committee to consider. As a result, **H 229aaS** was returned to committee in order for Rep. Gestrin to provide a more detailed explanation of the Senate amendments.

Rep. Gestrin, District 8, thanked the committee for considering the Senate amendments a second time. He indicated the amendments only add \$10.00 to the in-state snowmobile sticker fee and \$10.00 to the rental snowmobile fee. If the committee concurs with the amendments, overall, **H 229aaS** would generate over \$611,000 in additional revenues, with over \$328,000 of that from non-resident fees. These additional funds will support the construction and grooming of trails and maintenance of parking lots and toilets. Additionally, \$1.00 from each fee collected will be set aside to establish a statewide snowmobile avalanche program, which will include avalanche awareness education, avalanche forecasting, an avalanche warning system, and avalanche response throughout the state.

In response to committee questions regarding what happens if this bill isn't passed, **Rep. Gestrin** stated the last time there was a fee increase was 2007, so this bill is just trying to catch up with the cost of doing business to keep the program solvent.

Several committee members spoke with concern over the level of the fee increase.

MOTION: **Rep. Addis** made a motion to concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 229aaS**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Harris, Monks, and Mitchell** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Gestrin** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:17pm.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Tracey McDonnell
Secretary

MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, May 04, 2021
TIME: 12:00 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW40
MEMBERS: Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representatives Gestrin, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, Syme, Blanksma, Addis (Smith), Manwaring, Mitchell, Okuniewicz, Shepherd, Gannon, Rubel (Dittrich), McCrostie
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Vice Chairman DeMordaunt, Representative(s) Youngblood, Holtzclaw, Addis (Smith), Manwaring, Rubel (Dittrich)
GUESTS: None
Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 1:58 p.m.
MOTION: **Rep. Mitchell** made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2021, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
Chairman Palmer thanked **Taylor Jepson**, committee page.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Representative Palmer
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary