

MINUTES  
**HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 04, 2020

**TIME:** 1:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW40

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Palmer, Vice Chairman Shepherd, Representatives Gestrin, Kauffman, Youngblood, Dixon, Harris, Holtzclaw, Monks, DeMordaunt, Syme, Blanksma, Addis, Ricks, Wintrow, Gannon, Davis, Rubel

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None

**GUESTS:** Rick Burlingame, Randy Colson, Idaho Towing Association; Nick Veldhouse, IAHD; Scott Hanson, Idaho State Police; Ryan Fitzgerald, NWCUA; Nathan Muno, Kase Parking Enforcement; Brian Goeke, ITD; Barkley Smith, Attorney

**Chairman Palmer** called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Addis** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2020, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 27437:** **Rep. Monks** presented proposed legislation to extend the period of time a vehicle license plate is valid from seven years to 10 years.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to introduce **RS 27437**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 27501:** **Ryan Fitzgerald**, Vice President of Legislative Affairs for Idaho, Northwest Credit Union Association, presented **RS 27501**. The proposed legislation provides for timely notification to lienholders when a vehicle has been towed from private or posted property, stored or impounded, and not recovered by the vehicle owner within seventy-two (72) hours, excluding weekends and holidays.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to introduce **RS 27501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**H 345:** **Rep. Ricks** presented **H 345**, legislation to amend code by adding language to disallow booting a car on the sole basis of an expired or improper vehicle registration.

**Rick Burlingame, Randy Colson** and **Nathan Muno** spoke in opposition to the bill, citing instances where an apartment complex may have contract provisions regarding towing of derelict vehicles and vehicles without current registration tags. Some committee members expressed concerns that the bill may have unintended consequences.

Speaking in support of the bill were **Barkley Smith** and several committee members, stating the bill has a very narrow focus and applies only to the booting of vehicles on the sole basis of the status of registration.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Rubel** made a motion to send **H 345** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Syme** and **Blanksma** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Ricks** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**H 375:** **Captain Scott Hanson**, Idaho State Police presented **H 375**. The bill allows for an increase in the Hazardous Materials endorsement fee. The increase will cover the current cash shortage and estimated shortages forecast in the future of the Hazardous Material program.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Kauffman** made a motion to send **H 375** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kauffman** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**S 1231:** **S 1231** was presented by **Brian Goeke**, Department of Motor Vehicles Policy Manager for the Idaho Transportation Department. He said the Department's replacement of its Commercial Vehicle Registration and Permitting systems will enable the ITD to provide electronic credentials to the trucking industry. This will result in improved customer service and allow customers to receive their credentials electronically, without waiting for paper documents to be received in the mail.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Gannon** made a motion to send **S 1231** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Gannon** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

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Representative Palmer  
Chair

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Joyce McKenzie  
Secretary