

MINUTES  
**HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 13, 2018

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

**PLACE:** Room EW20

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Wood, Vice Chairman Packer, Representatives Perry, Vander Woude, Redman, Blanksma, Hanks, Kingsley, Zollinger, Wagoner, Chew, Rubel

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Vice Chairman Packer

**GUESTS:** Scott Snyder, MD, Idaho American Academy of Pediatrics; Caley Featherstone, LPC, National Eating Disorder Assoc.; Mark Estess, Idaho Chiefs of Police

**Chairman Wood** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**RS 26087:** **Rep. Sue Chew**, District 17, presented **RS 26087** to provide limited immunity for persons acting in good faith seeking emergency medical assistance during a controlled substance use crisis.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Redman** made a motion to introduce **26087**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 26108:** **Rep. Dorothy Moon**, District 8, presented **RS 26108**, replacing **H 410**. The cannabidiol oil (CBD) definition THC percentage is changed, registration with database information is removed, and the patient must have a physician's statement for use. An emergency clause has been added to allow immediate use upon bill passage.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to introduce **RS 26108**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 26140:** **Rep. Ilana Rubel**, District 18, presented **RS 26140**, a proposed Resolution requesting the Department of Insurance study the issue of medically required hearing aids for children, with recommendations for the next Legislative Session. In general, private insurers do not cover medically required hearing aids for children, resulting in financial, educational, and language issues.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Perry** made a motion to introduce **RS 26140**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**HCR 38:** **Rep. John McCrostie**, District 16, presented **HCR 38**, requesting recognition of February 26 to March 4, 2018, as Eating Disorders Awareness Week in conjunction with National Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

**Caley Featherstone**, National Eating Disorder Association, testified **in support of HCR 38**. There are approximately thirty million Americans with clinically significant eating disorders. This population is misrepresented in research funding and most insurance companies do not cover eating disorders care. Idaho has 59,000 individuals with this disorder, only two eating disorders specialists, and no eating disorder treatment center. This resolution provides support and encouragement to show the state cares about this population.

Answering a question, **Ms. Featherston** said eating disorders is now considered a worldwide epidemic, impacted by social media and societal demands. Individuals with eating disorders face lifetime challenges and health consequences. The existing Idaho counselors have patient waiting lists.

For the record, no one else indicated their desire to testify.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Chew** made a motion to send **HCR 38** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. McCrostie** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

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Representative Wood  
Chair

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Irene Moore  
Secretary