

MINUTES  
**HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 19, 2020

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

**PLACE:** Room EW41

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Clow, Vice Chairman Kerby, Representatives Shepherd, Boyle, Mendive, DeMordaunt, Moon, Ehardt, Goesling, Marshall, Raymond, Wisniewski, McCrostie, Abernathy, Berch

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Rep. Ehardt

**GUESTS:** Harold Ott, Rural Schools; Shawn Tiegs, Nezperce School District #302; Greg Wilson and Bobbi-Jo Meuleman, Governor's Office; Alex Adams, DFM; Michelle Fayant, Save Women's Sports; Rob Winslow, IASA; Tracie Bent and Shawn Keough, OSBE; Liz Hatter, Idaho Library Association; Tim Hill and Julie Oberle, SDE; Donna Kevel

**Chairman Clow** called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Abernathy** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**RS 27739:** **Rep. Young** presented **RS 27739**, which gives districts and charters the tools to ensure online databases provided to students contain content suitable for children and in compliance with obscene material statutes. These databases are offline and not subject to internet filters. This requirement will be included as a provision of the vendor's contract. If the vendor fails to comply, further payment may be withheld. If a vendor fails to verify compliance in a timely manner, the district or charter may consider it a breach of contract and discontinue service. The proposed legislation also requires the Idaho Commission for Libraries to submit an annual report to the governor and germane education committees outlining issues with vendor compliance.

**MOTION:** **Rep. DeMordaunt** made a motion to introduce **RS 27739**. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**RS 27749C1:** **Greg Wilson**, Senior Policy Adviser for Education, Office of the Governor, presented **RS 27749C1**, which continues the governor's focus on increasing educator salaries by raising pay for veteran teachers. The proposed legislation is focused on a long-term career path, so educators can remain in classrooms. Mr. Wilson stated the proposed legislation will be a strong retention tool for districts and help alleviate the immense burden on property taxes. It creates an Advanced Professional Educator Endorsement and an Advanced Professional Rung on the career ladder. To receive the endorsement and move onto the rung, teachers must meet accountability and achievement measures. The fiscal impact of the proposed legislation is \$225 million over five years. The \$30 million needed for the first year of implementation is included in the governor's current budget recommendation. The proposed legislation also creates a strong accountability provision for administrators by requiring them to conduct teacher evaluations with fidelity to the state framework, or lose eligibility for leadership premiums to be distributed in their district or charter.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Goesling** made a motion to introduce **RS 27749C1**. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.

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Representative Clow  
Chair

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Erica McGinnis  
Secretary