

MINUTES
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & DEFENSE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 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:** 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
Chair

Joyce McKenzie
Secretary