

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 02, 2024

TIME: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Young, Representatives Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Scott, Andrus, Skaug, Alfieri, Allgood, Crane(12), Gannon, Nash (Coberly)

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Crane (13) and Palmer

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Vice Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

MOTION: **Rep. Crane (12)** made a motion to approve the minutes from Wednesday January 31, 2024. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Vice Chairman Young announced to the committee, due to the sponsor being unavailable, **RS 31012** and **RS 31103** will be held until the sponsor is available.

RS 31129: **Rep. Alfieri** presented **RS 31129** explaining this proposed legislation will create an Office of Election Crimes and Security within the Attorney General's Office. He gave examples of people who have experienced election fraud and were instructed to file complaints with the election's office, but were given no satisfaction. A similar bill in Florida resulted in over 1,400 criminal referrals. This proposed legislation will require the addition of one staff member to the Attorney General's staff.

MOTION: **Rep. Crane (12)** made a motion to introduce **RS 31129**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31032: **Rep. Alfieri** presented **RS 31032** explaining this proposed legislation is based on legislation from last year which passed through this committee and the House Floor. Piecemeal attempts have been made to clean up the Unclaimed Property Act to include technical advances and changes. This proposed legislation is a full rewrite to update the entire act at once. In response to committee questions, Rep. Alfieri clarified last year's version was never voted on by the Senate. The full differences between this proposed legislation and last year's legislation will be brought to the full hearing of this bill.

MOTION: **Rep. Skaug** made a motion to introduce **RS 31032**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 AM.

Representative Young
Chair

Kennedy Jones
Secretary