## MINUTES HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, February 19, 2018

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

PLACE: Room EW05

- **MEMBERS:** Chairman Hartgen, Vice Chairman Anderson, Representatives Harris, Holtzclaw, Horman, Packer, Redman, Kingsley, Moon, Syme, Scott, King, Chew
- ABSENT/ Representative(s) Horman
- EXCUSED:
- **GUESTS:** Shawn Barigar, Representative of Commerce Region 4 of the Idaho Travel Council.

Chairman Hartgen called the meeting to order at 1:32PM.

Chairman Hartgen introduces our new Page, Mr. Joel Prigge, to the committee.

**S 1226: Ms. Bobbi-Jo Meuleman**, Director, Department of Commerce, explained the bill would move Camas County from Commerce Region 7 to Region 4.

In response to committee questions, **Ms. Meuleman** further explained that this would move four thousand dollars from Regions 7's grant fund for Travel and Conventional Marketing to Region 4. This fund gives grants to non-profits for marketing purposes in their respective region, i.e. Chambers of Commerce and non-profit travel associations.

**Mr. Shawn Barigar**, Representative of Commerce Region 4 and Mayor of Twin Falls, gave testimony **in support** of the bill, stating that Camas County has always matched up better with Region 4, and that Camas County already uses non-grant funds to do the same thing with Region 4. This bill would simply formalize the relationship between Camas County and Region 4 as well as allowing for the grant funds to be used in Region 4.

- MOTION: Rep. Redman made a motion to send S 1226 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation. Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Redman will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- **ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:46PM.

Representative Hartgen Chair Amie Taylor Secretary