

MINUTES
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 01, 2019

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Harris, Vice Chairman Armstrong, Representatives Crane, Palmer, Barbieri, Holtzclaw, Monks, Zito, Scott, Andrus, Hartgen, Young, Smith, Gannon, Green(18)

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: David Ripley, Idaho Chooses Life

Chairman Harris called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

MOTION: **Rep. Young** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28th and January 29th, 2019 meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 26487: **Rep. Zito** presented **RS 26487**, legislation that would exempt Idaho from observing Daylight Saving Time.

MOTION: **Rep. Holtzclaw** made a motion to introduce **RS 26487**.

In response to committee questions, **Rep. Zito** answered Idaho would be in Standard Time, year-round. Rep. Zito will research how Northern Idaho will be affected, since that part of the state is in the Pacific Time Zone. She will also contact power companies to determine how their services will be impacted.

**VOTE ON
MOTION:** **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 64: **Rep. Chaney** presented **H 64**, legislation regarding abortion complications. Rep. Chaney explained this specific legislation includes modifications to certain language and sections of Idaho Code, it is not the Abortion Complication Reporting Act itself. Revisions of the language emphasize discretion given to physicians and medical providers. Revised sections address duplicate reporting issues in order to make reports more statistically accurate.

Ken McClure, Idaho Medical Association, testified in opposition to **H 64**. Mr. McClure expressed concerns with provisions added under Section 2 which state physicians "shall attempt to ascertain and shall report" information including a patient's age and race, whether the patient was referred to the hospital for any complications listed, etc. Mr. McClure is concerned about the consequences physicians could face by attempting to gather this information.

MOTION: **Rep. Barbieri** made a motion to send **H 64** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

In response to committee questions, **Rep. Chaney** answered the punishment if any person were to violate this bill would be a misdemeanor. However, due to language of the bill, no physician would be prosecuted without willfully violating the law.

In opposition of the motion, **Rep. Gannon** said the legislation doesn't address information that will be statistically significant. **Rep. Smith** said there are already reporting systems in place, therefore there is no need for **H 64**. **Rep. Green(18)** stated there is no validity to questions physicians are allowed to ask regarding breast cancer in relation to abortions.

**VOTE ON
MOTION:**

Motion carried by voice vote. Reps. Smith, Gannon, and Green(18) requested they be recorded as voting **NAY. Rep. Chaney** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 AM.

Representative Harris
Chair

Julia Grief
Secretary