

MINUTES  
**HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, March 25, 2019

**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:** Reps. DeMordaunt and Moon

**GUESTS:** Monti Pittman, Mike Falconer, Jim Moore and Kerry Wysocki, Idaho Technical Career Academy; Wayne Hammon, Idaho Associated General Contractors; Liz Hatter, Idaho Chamber Alliance; Harold Ott, IRSA/IASA; Trent Clark, Bayer; Patrick Goff, Payette River Regional Technical Academy; Dr. Irene Westrick, Boise School District; John Eaton, IACI; Marilyn Whitney, SDE; Amy Lorenzo and Steve Rayborn, ICTE

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

**MOTION:** **Rep. Ehardt** made a motion to approve the minutes of the Ehardt Subcommittee meeting of January 17, 2019. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**S 1106aa:** **Suzanne Budge**, on behalf of Idaho Technical Career Academy (ITCA) and K12 Inc., presented **S 1106aa**, which is intended to modernize Career Technical Education (CTE) language to include all instructional delivery methods. She noted the bill does not eliminate CTE programs or allow unqualified teachers to instruct. Section 1 ensures charter schools will receive the same funding for CTE as traditional public schools, regardless of the instructional delivery method. Section 2 specifies the delivery method does not matter, as long as the chosen method is appropriate to the nature of the work, as demonstrated by a capstone course that meets industry standards. The division of CTE will maintain a list of secondary CTE pathways, encompassing traditional and online delivery methods, and develop an appropriate funding model for each.

**Kerry Wysocki**, Chairman of the ITCA Board, spoke **in support** of the bill and said it will provide legitimacy to the school, by making it a state-approved CTE program, with the accompanying oversight and funding.

In response to Committee questions, **Ms. Budge** and **Monti Pittman**, Director of ITCA, explained the financial component will be for reimbursement of costs, not to exceed the costs of a traditional delivery method. The funding amount will be based on actual approved costs. Mr. Pittman noted their costs are not the same as a traditional public school, they are simply different.

**Wayne Hammon**, Idaho Associated General Contractors; **Liz Hatter**, Idaho Chamber Alliance; and **Trent Clark**, Bayer; spoke **in support** of the bill. They stated this will help expand CTE opportunities to more students and prepare for online delivery of additional content areas. The bill will be a bench test for online technical instructional methods.

**Patrick Goff**, Superintendent of Payette River Regional Technical Academy; and **Dr. Irene Westrick**, CTE Director for Boise School District; spoke **in opposition**. They argued CTE requires hands-on instruction and funding for materials and equipment. They felt funding online delivery methods equitably degrades the efforts of traditional delivery. They stated the bill was initially drafted without input from the division of CTE.

Due to time constraints, **S 1106aa** will be carried over to the meeting of March 26, 2019 at 8:30 am. Only individuals on the testimony list of March 26, 2019, will be allowed to testify when the hearing reopens.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:01 am.

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Representative Clow  
Chair

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Erica McGinnis  
Secretary