

MINUTES
HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 20, 2020

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Boyle, Vice Chairman Troy, Representatives Kerby, Stevenson, Zito, Andrus, Giddings, Goesling, Marshall, Nichols, Raymond, Kiska, Toone, Abernathy, McCrostie

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Marshall, Nichols

GUESTS: Blaine Jacobson, Wheat; Richard Durant, Producer; James Kress, Wheat; Ned Moon, Wheat Commission; Casey Chumrau, Wheat Commission; Joseph Anderson, Wheat Commission; Joe Anderson, Wheat Commission; Rich Garber, Wheat Commission; Stacey Satterlee, Wheat Commission; Lloyd Knight, ISDA; Clark Hamilton, IWC; Colby Cameron, DFM; Jay Shaw, OAR/DFM;

Chairman Boyle called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Kiska** made a motion to approve the minutes of Tuesday, February 18, 2020 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 42-0101-1900F: **Blaine Jacobson**, Executive Director of the Idaho Wheat Commission introduced the commission board members attending the meeting today. He gave a brief history of the rule before the committee. He explained the rule was revised in 2018, and stands today with only minor grammar and spelling changes of the previously approved and adopted rule. He said the rule allows the commission to compile a list of the growers with their contact information. He said they surveyed 11 of the largest elevator operators and found eight were satisfied and reported back with positive comments immediately. He said the other three also confirmed they were satisfied with the commission's work. He explained the confidentiality of the growers' information is protected in statute and kept under lock and key.

Richard Durant, Wheat Producer explained he had worked with **Mr. Jacobson** to bring forth rules they could all agree on. He said he supports the need for the commission to have the ability to contact the growers, and cited examples of when it would be important to inform members in a timely manner.

Jamie Kress, Wheat Grower spoke on behalf of the grain producers acknowledging work can only be accomplished when the commission has access to the contact information of it's members.

MOTION: **Rep. Troy** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 42-0101-1900F**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0601-1901: **Lloyd Knight**, Administrator Plant Industry Division explained this rule has combined three previously approved and adopted rules in order to streamline and simplify rules related to seed production. He said there were no substitutive changes made. He said they reviewed and updated authorities and eliminated restrictive language with no changes to the fees in place.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0601-1901**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0602-1902: **Lloyd Knight** said in order to streamline and simplify rules related to licenses and registration, the ISDA combined all five rules into one. He said there were no substitutive changes made to any of the rules, however they were reviewed for repeal and amendment of certain sections consistent with the guidance and direction provided in the Red Tape Reduction Act.

MOTION: **Rep. Andrus** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0602-1902. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0604-1901: **Lloyd Knight** said these three rules all related to plant exports were combined into one single rule in order to streamline and simplify according to the Red Tape Reduction Act. He said the consolidated rule was reviewed to update authority and eliminate unnecessary language.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0604-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0605-1901: **Lloyd Knight** stated 11 previous rules related to the regulation and quarantine of certain crops to prevent the spread of plant disease and pests were combine into one single rule in order to streamline and simplify rules in accordance with the Red Tape Reduction Act. He said no substitutive changes were made to any single rule.

MOTION: **Rep. Kiska** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0605-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0610-1901: **Lloyd Knight** said four rules all pertaining to the regulation of the planting and growing of potatoes to prevent the spread of pests and diseases, were combined into a single rule. He said no substitutive changes were made to the four rules combined in order to simplify in accordance with the Red Tape Reduction Act.

In response to a committee question concerning the Potato Cyst Nematode, **Mr. Knight** said previous import markets that had been closed to Idaho potatoes are now opening back up and the efforts to control the spread of the nematode have been successful for the most part but continues to be a long process for total eradication.

MOTION: **Rep. Raymond** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0610-1901. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Representative Boyle
Chair

Joan Majors
Secretary