

MINUTES
HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW05

MEMBERS: Chairman Mendive, Vice Chairman Kingsley, Representatives Barbieri, Clow, Collins, Zollinger, Christensen, Wagoner, Wisniewski, Remington, Berch, Green, Necochea

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Wagoner

GUESTS: Garrick Baxter, Office of the Attorney General; Lynn Tominaga, Idaho Rural Water Association; Russell Westerberg; Shelley Roberts, Idaho Rural Water Association

Chairman Mendive called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Green** made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2020. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

MOTION: **Rep. Collins** made a motion to approve the minutes of February 26, 2020. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 609: **Rep. Scott** introduced **H 609** relating to water and sewer districts; amending section 42-3219, Idaho Code, to remove provisions regarding the exclusion of certain lands from water or sewer districts, to provide conditions under which certain petitions shall be granted, and to make technical corrections. She indicated land developers, anticipating growth in her rural district, were creating water taxing districts to provide services to new home construction. Rep. Scott explained the legislation allows exclusion of certain lands from water or sewer districts.

MOTION: **Rep. Zollinger** made a motion to send **H 609** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

MOTION: **Rep. Clow** made a substitute motion to **HOLD H 609** in committee.

Discussion on the motions was held. Committee members expressed concerned because the legislation had been created without input from the state's 88 water districts and that the legislation could have a negative impact on other water taxing districts.

**ROLL CALL
VOTE ON
SUBSTITUTE
MOTION:** A roll call vote on the substitute motion was requested. **Substitute motion carried by vote of 10 AYE, 2 NAY, 1 Absent/Excused. Voting in favor** of the substitute motion: **Reps. Kingsley, Barbieri, Clow, Collins, Green, Berch, Wisniewski, Necochea, Remington and Mendive. Voting in opposition** to the substitute motion: **Reps. Zollinger and Christensen. Rep. Wagoner was absent/excused.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

Representative Mendive
Chair

Karen Westen
Secretary