

MINUTES
SENATE RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, January 18, 2021

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room WW55

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Vick, Vice Chairman Johnson, Senators Bair, Heider, Patrick, Guthrie, Burtenshaw, Stennett, and Rabe

ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None

NOTE: The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

CONVENED: **Chairman Vick** called the meeting of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee (Committee) to order at 1:32 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: **Chairman Vick** welcomed the audience and Committee members to the first Committee meeting of the 2021 Legislative Session. Some of the members are new to the Committee, and because of that, he asked each member to relate a few remarks about themselves.

Page Hana Pfeiffer was also introduced by **Chairman Vick**. Ms. Pfeiffer is a senior at Minico High School and is involved in the student council. She spoke about her involvement in local activities, as well as 4-H activities, which include swine, waterfowl, leadership, and in anticipation of 40,000 honeybees. Ms. Pfeiffer plans to attend the College of Idaho and major in Political Economy.

RS 28222 **Senator Patrick** presented **RS 28222, Relating to Water Districts**. This amendment clarifies that when water is diverted and assessed in one water district but is conveyed and rediverted in a second water district, the second district may levy a fee instead of an assessment for that water. Any authorized fees that are levied are not considered to be a part of a water user's voting credentials in the second water district.

MOTION: **Senator Bair** moved to send **RS 28222** to print. **Senator Heider** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

PASSED THE GAVEL: Chairman Vick passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Johnson.

RULES REVIEW: **Vice Chairman Johnson** introduced Colby Cameron, Bureau Chief for Regulatory and Legislative Affairs, Idaho Division of Financial Management, who, via Zoom, provided an overview of the rules. **Mr. Cameron** explained how to use the Legislature web page to access the administrative rules and the links to specific House and Senate Committees. **Vice Chairman Johnson** thanked Mr. Cameron for the review of the rules.

DOCKET NO. 26-0000-2000F **Notice of Omnibus Rulemaking - Adoption of Pending Fee Rule. Anna Canning**, Management Services Administrator, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR), presented **Docket No. 26-0000-2000F**. **Ms. Canning** reviewed the existing rules and stated there was one exception. She said in anticipation of future changes to Idaho Code raising the fee for the Idaho State Parks Passport, IDPR seeks a corresponding raise on the fee cap for the annual motor vehicle entrance fee from \$40 to \$80.

MOTION: **Senator Stennett** moved to approve **Docket No. 26-0000-2000F**. **Senator Heider** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**. An inquiry was made as to the House Resources and Conservation vote on this docket and **Ms. Canning** replied the Committee was in favor of it.

DOCKET NO. 24-3501-2000 Notice of Omnibus Rulemaking - Adoption of Pending Rule. **Dawn Hall**, Section Chief, Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses, presented **Docket No. 24-3501-2000**. **Ms. Hall** stated there are no changes to the pending rule and it is being adopted as originally proposed. These rules are necessary for the agency to carry out its statutory duties and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare and conservation of wildlife and range resources – in the State of Idaho.

TESTIMONY: **Joan Callahan** testified in support of this docket.

MOTION: **Senator Heider** moved to approve **Docket No. 24-3501-2000**. **Senator Patrick** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

DOCKET NO. 15-0300-2000F **Notice of Omnibus Rulemaking - Adoption of Pending Fee Rule**. **Jennifer Okerlund**, Director, Idaho Forest Products Commission, presented **Docket No. 15-0300-2000F**. **Ms. Okerlund** indicated there are no changes to the pending fee rule and it is being adopted as originally proposed.

MOTION: **Senator Guthrie** moved to approve **Docket No. 15-0300-2000F**. **Senator Bair** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

PASSED THE GAVEL: Vice Chairman Johnson passed the gavel to Chairman Vick.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Vick** adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Senator Vick
Chair

Juanita Budell
Secretary