

Current Legislative Issues

Idaho Association of Commissioners and Clerks
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Agenda

- **IAC 2016 package review**
- **2016 county-related legislation with high dollar amount implications**
 - **Healthcare**
 - **Public defense**
 - **Urban renewal**
 - **129,000lb trucks**
- **Other county-related legislation**

IAC package

Passed:

- Absentee ballot application deadlines (S1274)
- Community college deadlines (H527)
- Excess proceeds (S1347)
- Post office closure joint memorial (SJM 105)

IAC package (cont'd)

Unsuccessful:

- Justice levy increase
- Law clerks (H492)
- Park models
- City street levy
- Review of LID
- Mail ballot threshold
- Conservation agreements
- Craters of the Moon joint memorial

Healthcare

- Medicaid expansion (S1204, S1205) – Full expansion to cover 78,000 in the gap.
- PCAP – Limited physician coverage
- PCAP lite – Grant for study group/pilot. Application for Medicaid Waiver.

Public Defense

- Bills: HB504, HB609, SB1361
- Temporary rules: Coming soon
- Grant application form: Coming July 1, draft provided yesterday
- Grant amount: \$25k or 15%, whichever is higher
- Joint office incentive: \$25k per county
- Levy flexibility: indigent and current expense

Public defense: Process

Application due date: May 1

[Note: For 2016, due date is Aug 1, 2016]

PDC distribution of grants: Oct 1

Reporting due date: Nov 1

Public defense: Noncompliance

If county “willfully and materially fail[s] to comply” with the standards:

- PDC gives 30 day notice.
- PDC and county meet for mediation.
- If no resolution, PDC remedies the specific problem and bills the county.
- If county doesn’t pay, STC withholds county’s sales tax distribution.

Urban Renewal

- **House Bill 606**
- **URA plans made after 7/1/2016 cannot contribute 51% or more of costs of constructing a municipal building without 60% approval at an election.**
- **"Municipal building" means admin bldg, city hall, library, courthouse, public safety bldg, judicial bldg, fire stations, jails.**

Urban Renewal (cont'd)

- **URAs must send their plans and modifications to STC every Dec 1.**
- **Penalties for failure to report: 1) Increase in the increment goes to the other taxing districts; 2) BOCC can impose a fine up to \$5,000.**

Other Issues

- **Solar energy taxation**
- **Cemetery district consolidation**
- **AG investigations**
- **Appurtenant easements and tax deeds**
- **ECC and SIEC consolidation**
- **Forgone revenue**
- **Dig bill**

Other Issues (cont'd)

- **Procurement exception**
- **Critical infrastructure records**
- **Festival alcohol permit**
- **Auxiliary containers**
- **Minimum wage**
- **Homeowners exemption**