

IAC Legislative Committee

June 10, 2019 | 3:00 pm
Conference Call | Boise, ID

208-717-1950

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order

Vice Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Hall made a motion to approve the minutes from March 27, 2019, Zenner seconded. Motion carried.

IAC Priorities:

- [H0173](#) Mail ballot threshold increase to 140 – Law
- [HJM005](#) No net loss land transfers to Federal Government – Died in Senate Resources
- [S1054](#) Regional Behavioral Health Board modification – Law
- [S1055](#) Repeal issuance of AIDS pamphlets w/ marriage licenses – Law
- [S1074](#) Jail medical for individuals released from sheriff's custody – Law
- [S1093](#) Pretrial supervision fees, Odyssey – Law
- [S1116](#) Apportionment of liquor funds for magistrate court - Law
- [S1122](#) Juvenile probation fees, Odyssey - Law
- [S1123](#) Tax intercept for debts less than \$50 - Law
- [S1126](#) Budget surplus eliminator – Senate pulled the bill and tabled for the year.
- Public Defense (PD)
Public defense funding was increased this year. The legislature would like to see the results of the Tucker cases before looking at a state system.
- Justice Levy
House Revenue and Tax has been the roadblock for the last few years. The legislative committee and IAC membership need to talk about if this is worth running again the next year.

New Business

- Roles and Responsibilities
Discussion to be held at another meeting.

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- **Medicaid Expansion**
The legislature has created an interim committee to see how counties and hospitals can help pay for Medicaid Expansion. Todd Smith has been appointed as a non-voting member. The interim committee has requested a two-hour presentation on county budgets and the indigent process. The committee is looking at the \$20M that counties are currently paying, of which \$8M of that is mental health. If the IMD waiver isn't approved, counties won't have savings for mental health. There was a bill introduced late in the session that looked at using hospital assessments/exemptions as a way to help pay for Medicaid as well.

IAC has created a County Medicaid Task Force to talk about the interim committee meetings. The task force will send recommendations to the interim committee.

- **Transportation**
Seth will be attending a meeting to discuss a new study that will be done through Boise State. It would look into the current state of funding, what has been funded, where the shortfalls are, and what can we do in the future.
- **Online Notice**
There is a working group to review online notices. Rep. Raybould brought a bill that would allow some online public notices. IAC staff will continue to be involved in this discussion.
- **Exemptions**
There are two big exemptions (PPT and grocery tax) coming this next year. PPT could be changed from \$100K to \$250K. The concern is that the state cannot keep up with the replacement dollars. There was a bill that would allow commissioners to decide if they would allow an exemption. This would eliminate the replacement dollars. Some counties could absorb the loss of funding but some could not.

The governor committed to the grocery tax repeal. The impact to locals is approx. \$24M. There is going to be conflict around this. The state may not have the money to do the exemption if the revenues are not where they need to be.

There is an IAC resolution on the homeowners' exemption.

- **Eller v. Idaho**
This is the ISP whistleblower case. The Supreme Court granted full compensation instead of capping the case at \$500,000. IAC filed an amicus brief. The cities are a partner in this discussion and IAC staff will reach out to state officials. There may be a proposal to adding a cap on the whistleblower laws.
- The legislative committee will draft a resolution for the full membership.
- **Administrative Procedures Act (APA)**
There is a lot of concern around the APA. Sen. Burgoyne is determined to move forward on this. Typically counties do not follow the APA; however, there are sections that are tied to the APA. Counties would like to see locals removed from the APA. The legislators were supportive but we ran out of time to run it. The cities were supportive.

The legislative committee will draft a resolution for the full membership.

- **Other**

The Board adjourned at 4:00 pm.