

IN THE SENATE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 146

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO UNDERTAKE AND COMPLETE A STUDY OF OCCUPATIONAL  
LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION LAWS AND RULES IN IDAHO.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho has enacted laws and rules regulating licensure and certification for many occupations; and

WHEREAS, regulation that is not necessary for the protection of the public's health, safety and interest can unreasonably restrict competition and entry into various occupations; and

WHEREAS, restrictions on licensure and certification can create unreasonable barriers to labor mobility by making it difficult for persons from other states to practice their occupations in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2017, Lieutenant Governor Brad Little issued Executive Order No. 2017-06, regarding review of Idaho's licensure requirements for various occupations; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 2017-06 required the executive departments of the State of Idaho to submit reports to the Governor's office by July 1, 2018, containing suggestions on occupational licensing requirements that may be modified or eliminated; and

WHEREAS, many occupational licensing and certification requirements are provided in statute, thus rendering legislative action necessary for modification or elimination; and

WHEREAS, the House Business Committee and the Senate Commerce and Human Resources Committee have formed the Regulatory Reform Joint Subcommittee to study regulation of occupational licensing and to make recommendations necessary for changes to statutes or rules that create anticompetitive barriers to licensure, license renewal and occupational practice; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Regulatory Reform Joint Subcommittee that the Legislative Council appoint an interim committee to continue the study of occupational licensing and certification reform in Idaho and to make recommendations to the 2019 Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-fourth Idaho Legislature, the Senate and the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the Legislative Council is authorized to appoint a committee to undertake and complete a study of occupational licensing and certification laws and rules in Idaho, including review of relevant reports submitted to the Governor's office pursuant to Executive Order No. 2017-06, and to examine the necessity of such laws and rules. The Legislative Council shall determine the number of legislators and membership from each house appointed to the committee and shall authorize the committee to receive input, advice and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not members of the Legislature.

1           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nonlegislative members of the committee may  
2 be appointed by the cochairs of the committee who are appointed by the Leg-  
3 islative Council. Nonlegislative members of the committee shall not be re-  
4 imbursed from legislative funds for per diem, mileage or other expenses and  
5 shall not have voting privileges regarding the committee's recommendations  
6 or proposed legislation.

7           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall report its findings,  
8 recommendations and proposed legislation, if any, to the First Regular Ses-  
9 sion of the Sixty-fifth Idaho Legislature.