

LOBBYIST MONTHLY REPORT FORM

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Lobbyist's name and permanent business address Stephen H. Ahrens Idaho Association of Commerce & Industry PO Box 389 Boise ID 83701	Date prepared 3/3/03	Period covered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> month ending (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.) 2 28 03
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Item 1	Totals of all reportable expenditures made or incurred by Lobbyist or by Lobbyist's Employer on behalf of Lobbyist's Employer.				
Category of Expenditure Reimbursed Personal Living and Travel Expenses Pertaining to Lobbying Activity Do Not Have to be Reported	Total Expenditure	Proportionate amounts contributed by each employer (Identify employers, under Item 3, at bottom of page.)			
		Employer No. 1	Employer No. 2	Employer No. 3	Employer No. 4
Entertainment	\$ 84.05	\$ 84.05	\$	\$	\$
Food and Refreshment	0.00				
Living Accommodations	0.00				
Advertising	0.00				
Travel	0.00				
Telephone	53.00	53.00			
Office Expenses	100.00	100.00			
Other Expenses or Services	0.00				
Total	\$ 237.05	\$ 237.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Item 2	The totals of each expenditure of more than fifty dollars (\$50) for a legislator or other holder of public office.			
Date	Place	Amount	Names of Legislators & Public Officials in Group	
	None			

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<p align="center">INSTRUCTIONS</p> <p>Who should file this form: Any lobbyist registered under Section 67-6617 Idaho Code</p> <p>Filing deadline: Monthly reports due within ten (10) days of the month for activities of the past month.</p> <p>TO BE FILED WITH: Pete T. Cenarrusa Secretary of State PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0080 Phone: (208) 334-2852 Fax: (208) 334-2282</p>	Item 3	Employer(s) Name(s) and Address(es)
	No. 1	Idaho Assn. of Commerce & Industry PO Box 389, Boise, ID 83701
	No. 2	
	No. 3	
	No. 4	

Item 4	Expenditures made by the lobbyist or by the lobbyist's employer in the nature of contributions of money or other tangible or intangible personal property to any Legislator, or for or on behalf of any legislator.		
	Date	Amount	Name of Legislator Receiving or Benefited
			None

Item 5 Subject matter of proposed legislation, the number of the Senate or House Bill, Resolution or other legislative activity in which the Lobbyist was supporting or opposing.

Subject Code (from table)	Bill, Resolution or Other Legislative Ident. Number	Appropriation Bill Number and Section Number
	See attached list.	

LEGISLATIVE SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

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| Code | Subject | Code | Subject |
| 01 | Agriculture, horticulture, farming, and livestock | 17 | Health service, medicine, drugs and controlled substances, health insurance, hospitals |
| 02 | Amusements, games, athletics and sports | 18 | Higher education |
| 03 | Banking, finance, credit and investments | 19 | Housing, construction, codes |
| 04 | Children, minors, youth, senior citizens | 20 | Insurance (excluding health insurance) |
| 05 | Church and religion | 21 | Labor, salaries and wages, collective bargaining |
| 06 | Consumer affairs | 22 | Law enforcement, courts, judges, crimes, prisons |
| 07 | Ecology, environment, pollution, conservation, zoning, land and water use | 23 | License, permits |
| 08 | Education | 24 | Liquor |
| 09 | Elections, campaigns, voting, political parties | 25 | Manufacturing, distribution and services |
| 10 | Equal rights, civil rights, minority affairs | 26 | Natural resources, forest and forest products, fisheries, mining and mining products |
| 11 | Government financing, taxation, revenue, budget, appropriations, bids, fees, funds | 27 | Public lands, parks, recreation |
| 12 | Government county | 28 | Social insurance, unemployment insurance, public assistance, workmen's compensation |
| 13 | Government federal | 29 | Transportation, highways, streets and roads |
| 14 | Government municipal | 30 | Utilities, communications, televisions, radio, newspaper, power, CATV, gas |
| 15 | Government special districts | 31 | Other (please specify) _____ |
| 16 | Government state | | |

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the above is a true, complete and correct statement in accordance with Section 67-6624 Idaho Code.

Stephen Hodshous 3-8-03
 Lobbyist signature Date

BILLS TO FOLLOW

57th Idaho Legislature, First Session

February 26, 2003

(LACI Position: + Support, - Oppose, M= Monitoring, N= Neutral)

Bill and Description		House	Senate	Final
H2 (M)	(By Rep. Stevenson) Appropriation bill authorizing \$25,000 from the general fund to finance an energy study.	Appropriations		
H3a (M)	(By Rep. Clark) Would require the Sheriff's Department in affected counties to inform the public (including addresses and photos) when a violent sexual predator (as determined by the Sex Offenders Classification Board) is released into the community.	Passed 70-0	Passed 35-0	To Governor
H8 (M)	(By Bureau of Occupational Licenses) Brings Landscape Architects Licensure Act into conformity with model law; revises qualifications for licensing landscape architects; revises grounds for appeals, disciplinary action and penalties; deletes language dealing with certificates and registration, and adds language for licenses.	Business		
H27 (-)	(By Department of Labor) Provides a specific remedy if it can be proven that an employer terminated a worker as a retaliatory action because the worker filed a wage claim dispute.	Withdrawn by Sponsor		
H47 (-)	(By Idaho State Police) To prevent videotaping of people in situations in which they have a reasonable expectation of privacy.	Withdrawn by Sponsor		
H53 (M)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Gives flexibility to the Professional Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors in issuing licenses based on equivalent credentials for those without engineering or surveying degree.	Passed 70-0	Passed 24-5	LAW
H57 (M)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Increases the opportunity to request a hearing before the Director of the Department of Water Resources in cases involving an application for a permit, license or certificate.	Resources & Conservation		
H61a (M)	(By Department of Insurance) Provides administrative penalty for violating any rule promulgated by the director of the Department of Insurance, in addition to the existing penalty for a violation of the code	Business		
H67 (M)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Transfers the responsibility for protection of native wild plants from the state Department of Parks and Recreation to the Department of Fish and Game.	Passed 62-6	Resources & Environment	
H70 (+)	(By Idaho Department of Labor) Freezes Unemployment Insurance tax rate at current 2002 level for calendar years 2003-2004.	Passed 67-3	Passed 33-0	LAW
H72 (M)	(By Rep. Leon Smith) Minor amendments and technical corrections to the Small Lawsuit Resolution Act of 2002, as developed and agreed to by interim work group.	Passed 68-0	Passed 35-0	To Governor

H73 (M)	(By Rep. Ring) Raises cigarette tax from 28 cents to \$1.28 per package of 20 cigarettes; increases percentage of cigarette tax collected per package going to the Public School Income Fund	Revenue & Taxation		
H81 (-)	(By State Tax Commission) REPLACED BY H225 Clarifies that tax credits earned by investment in broadband equipment or in economically depressed counties are transferable only by the taxpayer who initially earned the credit, meaning credits can be transferred only once.	Revenue & Taxation		
H83 (+)	(By Department of Lands) Allows the State Land Board to extend the current 10-year lease for the Tamarack Resort project to a longer-term 49-year lease necessary for economic success of the project and for maximum return to the State Endowment Fund.	Passed 66-0	Resources & Environment	
H92 (+)	(By Idaho Liability Reform Coalition) Tort reform bill would: (A) Cap non-economic damages at \$250,000, with inflation index; (B) Cap punitive damages at the greater of \$250,000 or three times the compensatory damages award; (C) Reduce bond required to be filed for appealing a damage verdict; and (D) Repeal the last minor elements of Joint & Several Liability.	Passed 58-12	Judiciary & Rules (Hearing begins Monday)	
H94 (M)	(By Rep. McKague) Calls for school district elections to be held on one of Idaho's four consolidated election dates; would require school Board of Trustee elections to be held on the May primary date; would not apply to Idaho's charter districts.	State Affairs		
H95 (M)	(By Rep. McKague) Voters in a school district would be allowed to vote at-large on all school trustee candidates, although candidates would still be required to live in the district from which they are elected.	State Affairs		
H121 (-)	(By Rep. Trail) Public School and Higher Education Plant Facilities Act of 2003; For 10-year period, would devote sales & use tax collections from sale or purchase of natural gas, electricity and water, or on the sale or purchase of any matter used to produce heat by domestic home use, including wood, coal, petroleum and gas, to the use of the school and university plant facilities; of funds collected, \$55 million would go to the School Plant Facilities Fund, with the remainder put into the Permanent Building Fund.	Withdrawn by Sponsor		
H126 (M)	(By Rep. Clark) Caps property tax relief to school districts at \$69 million annually, regardless of future valuation escalation.	Revenue & Taxation		
H147 (M)	(By Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association) Increases award of intervenor funding before the Public Utilities Commission on certain cases; increases the revenue threshold for utilities before intervenor funding can be awarded.	Passed 61-2	On 3 rd Reading	
H148 (-)	(By Idaho Association of Counties) Reduces the time frame for filing property tax appeals by one week, allowing county boards of equalization more time to conclude their duties.	Withdrawn by Sponsor		
H150 (+)	(By IACI) The IACI-sponsored bill requires DEQ to utilize the best available science and apply well established risk assessment methods when they propose rules and standards. The language in the bill comes directly from the Federal Clean Drinking Water Act of 1996 (Chief sponsor was then Sen. Dirk Kempthorne). The bill	Passed 51-18	Health & Welfare	

	requires that DEQ, if they want rules more stringent than federal law, must use the same scientific methods that EPA is required to use.			
H157 (M)	(By Department of Labor) Repeal Idaho Agricultural Labor Act; Act has never been applied since creation in 1972, Agriculture Labor Board has never received petition or complain and never held a hearing.	Passed 66-0	Agricultural Affairs	
H159 (-)	(By Department of Agriculture) Provides for development of rules to support marketing of Idaho agricultural products.	Agricultural Affairs		
H172 (-)	(By Sen. Kennedy, Rep. Cuddy) Provides annual cost-of-living adjustment on \$50,000 upper limit of homeowner property tax exemption, which has never been adjusted for inflation since implementation in 1973.	Revenue & Taxation		
H186 (+)	(By Rep. Clark) To provide for adjustment of the final distribution of moneys to school districts from the education support program, based upon the actual number of total support units; and to create a fund to provide stabilization of the amount of support per unit.	On 3 rd Reading		
H187 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Repeals existing law relating to early retirement incentives for public school district employees.	On 3 rd Reading		
H188 (M)	(By Reps. Cannon, Lake & Newcomb) To provide that no school district which passed a bond levy prior to March 1, 2002, shall be eligible to participate in the bond levy equalization support program; to provide a time limit for dispersal of funds by the Department of Education to school districts which have approved qualifying bonds; to provide an additional payment in the next fiscal year to qualifying districts which lose a payment in the current fiscal year due to the eligibility deadline.	Failed 28-39		
H192 (-)	(By Sen. Goedde) Creates Resort County Local Option Tax Authority.	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
H194 (-)	(By State Tax Commission) Conforms Idaho tax codes to IRS codes, except (A) New federal "bonus depreciation," and (B) Expenses of elementary and secondary teachers for buying classroom supplies allowable under IRS code.	Passed 41-29	Local Government & Taxation (Hearing 2-26-03)	
H196 (-)	(By Rep. Clark) Prohibits expenditure of public monies by political subdivisions of the State of Idaho to support or oppose ballot measures or candidates; and to provide penalties.	Ways & Means		
H197 (-)	(By Rep. Deal) Establishes deposit fee and 5¢ refund value on beverage containers made of glass, metal, PET, and HDPE, containing 64 ounces or less.	Held in Environmental Affairs		
H207 (-)	(By Sen. Kennedy, Rep. Cuddy) Protects homeowners over 65 years of age or disabled veterans from increase property taxes resulting from increasing taxable value; frozen tax rates continue as long as qualifying homeowner lives in the home.	Revenue & Taxation		
H215 (M)	(By Jim Jones) To require employers to obtain information relating to the controlled substance abuse of licensed providers or persons who will be expected to handle or dispense controlled substances in the prospective employment for prospective employees.	Judiciary & Rules		

H217 (M)	(By Idaho Farm Bureau) Clarifies that activities conducted under express statutory authority cannot be public or private nuisances.	Judiciary & Rules		
H225 (M)	(By State Tax Commission) Clarifies transferability of tax credits for investment in broadband technology.	Passed 70-0	Local Government & Taxation	
H226 (M)	(By Idaho Farm Bureau) Clarifies that law of trespass is not intended to extend to certain agricultural activities, including agricultural field burning.	Agricultural Affairs		
H227 (M)	(By Idaho Farm Bureau) Eliminates private lawsuits for injunctions or damages against farmers who burn crop residue in accordance with accepted and common-sense practices and rules.	Agricultural Affairs		
H228 (M)	(By Rep. Meyer) Provides that rules promulgated by Department of Environmental Quality relating to opacity standards shall not apply to crop residue burning.	Environmental Affairs		
H245 (M)	(By Rep. Clark) Applies Sunshine Act campaign finance reporting law to all political subdivisions in the state, but does not grant authority to these entities to carry on lobbying or political campaigning.	Held in State Affairs		
H249 (-)	(By Sen. Keough) Requires that homeowner live in Idaho 2 years before receiving 50-50 homeowner's exemption.	Revenue & Taxation		
H251 (-)	(By Reprs. Trail & Bieter) "Idaho Judicial Independence Act" – provides voluntary system of public financing for Idaho Supreme Court and Court of Appeals candidates; to qualify, candidates must collect 2000 contributions of \$5 apiece and agree not to spend additional private money, then they are given a set amount of funds from the Judicial Independence Act Trust Fund.	Judiciary & Rules		
H255 (+)	(By Rep. Tilman) Clarifies that property used for Charter School purposes is exempt from taxation.	Passed 63-0	Local Government & Taxation	
H256 (+)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Establishes a consistent review process to enable governments to better evaluate whether proposed actions may result in a taking of private property without due process.	Amending Order		
H257 (+)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Provides that various local land-use planning actions may be subject to regulatory taking analysis; provides that every final decision concerning a site-specific land use request may be subject to a regulatory takings analysis.	Amending Order		
H262 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Repeals the requirement that school boards pay teachers while they are engaged in teacher association activities.	Education		
H263 (M)	(By Rep. Kathie Garrett) Changes the name of the "Idaho Association of School Trustees" to the "Idaho School Boards Association".	Education		
H271 (+)	(By Rep. Tilman) Appeal process for local school board denial of Charter School application.	Education		
H273 (+)	(By Mark Benson) No recreation trespass for a conservation easement.	Resources & Conservation		

H274 (-) (By Rep. Barrett) Requires that if 20% of residents in an area targeted for annexation object to a proposed annexation, the city must hold an election on that question; only persons living in the area affected by the annexation would be allowed to vote.	Local Government		
H275 (-) (By Rep. Wood) Status of 1866 right-of-way statutes.	On 3 rd Reading		
H280 (M) (By Rep. McGeachin) Limits annual state spending increases to yearly percentage changes in cost of living, population growth, and average percentage change in per capita personal income over the prior three fiscal years; creates "Emergency Reserve Fund; amends existing Budget Stabilization Fund; refunds excess revenue to taxpayers; limits taxes and expenditures at the local level.	Revenue & Taxation		
H282 (M) (By Rep. Wood) Increased truck weights for temporary and annual permits.	Transportation		
H283 (M) (By Rep. Stevenson) Mandates counties to enact CAFO siting ordinances.	Agricultural Affairs		
H284 (+) (By Rep. Stevenson) Restrictions on use of Local Public Interest doctrine.	Resources & Conservation		
H285 (M) (By Rep. Tilman) Requires school board trustees in the same county to work jointly to employ a County Superintendent for all school districts in the county.	Education		
H286 (M) (By Rep. Tilman) Requires consolidation of small, inefficient school districts to save money and provide greater academic opportunities for students through pooling of resources; would reduce number of Idaho school districts from 114 to 75, based on 2000 U.S. Census.	Education		
H290 (M) (By Reps. Newcomb, Denney, Moyle & Ellsworth) Requires that all rule-making will be consistent with the procedure used to handle fee rules.	Judiciary & Rules		
H293 (M) (By Sen. Cameron, Rep. Bell) 2% across-the-board FY03 budget cut: Reduces FY03 general fund budget by \$58,834,800; results in FY03 reduction of 2 % for Public Schools and Higher Education, 3.9% reduction for Department of Health & Welfare, and a 5.5% reduction for all other agencies – including the Legislature, the Judiciary and all elected officials.	Passed 39-30	2 nd Reading	
HCR1 (M) (by Rep. Stevenson) Authorizes the Legislative Council to appoint a committee to study energy-related issues, saying "There may be some benefits to a competitive electric utility industry."	Resources & Conservation		
HCR11 (M) (By Rep. Trail) Authorizes appointment of a bipartisan committee, made up of both legislators and non-legislators, to analyze Idaho's sales tax, individual and corporate income tax, and property tax structures, including sales tax exemptions, income tax credits/deductions, and property tax exemptions.	Revenue & Taxation		
HCR14 (-) (By Rep. Naccarato) Resolution to support and promote use of Idaho workers to BUILD IDAHO and to pay Idaho workers a living wage.	Held in Commerce & Human Resources		

HCR15 (By Legislative Services) Rejects certain DEQ air quality rules; if (M) adopted by both houses, rules will not take effect.	Environmental Affairs		
HCR16 (By Legislative Services) Rejects certain DEQ sewage disposal (M) rules; if adopted by both houses, rules will not take effect.	Passed 62-5	Health & Welfare	
HCR22 (By Legislative Services) Rejects pending DEQ rules dealing with (M) underground storage tanks and leaking petroleum storage tanks; if adopted by both houses, rules will not take effect.	On 3 rd Reading		
HJM2 (By Rep. Cuddy) U.S. Government, not electrical ratepayers, must (M) pay for recovery of endangered salmon.	Adopted on voice vote	Senate Resources & Environment	
HJR1 (By Rep. Trail) Constitutional amendment to allow addition of State (M) Treasurer to the State Land Board, making 6 members; means Governor would vote only in case of ties	State Affairs		
HJR2 (By Rep. Barrett, Sen. Sweet, & Laird Maxwell) Limits annual (M) general fund increases to previous year's budget, plus annual inflation rate, plus annual percentage population increase; requires 2/3 legislative vote for any tax or fee increase.	Revenue & Taxation		
S1009 (By Sen. Davis) A non-candidate entity making independent (M) campaign expenditures of \$1,000 or more after the 16 th day before, but more than 48 hours before, a primary or general election, shall file a written statement of the expense with the Secretary of State not less than 48 hours from the time of the expenditure	Passed 62-7	Passed 34-0	LAW
S1021 (By Association of Idaho Cities) Allows assessors more flex bility (M) to develop their own plan for reappraising county property, while still requiring that all property be reappraised once every 5 years		Local Government & Taxation	
S1049 (By Sen. Sorensen) REPLACED BY S1119 Expands Idaho Drug- (M) Free Workplace Act to include public employers; clarifies that all employers, both public and private, may choose to have a Drug-Free Workplace program; for employers complying with the act, provides a workers' compensation rate reduction		State Affairs	
S1058 (By Dept. of Water Resources) Increases fee for filing protest (M) against approval of a water right appropriation, or against approval of a change to an existing water right; fee also applies to parties seeking intervention in contested case proceedings.		Resources & Environment	
S1060 (By Sens. Lodge, Bunderson, Davis & Marley, and Reps. (M) Schaefer, Smylie, Eskridge & Shepherd) Relates to electronic alternatives to certified mail – in cases where transmission by certified mail is required, the record may be transmitted electronically with consent of the recipient.		Amending Order	
S1086 (By AFL-CIO & Sen. Marley) To ensure Idaho laborers on public (-) works projects receive the prevailing wage.		Commerce & Human Resources	
S1087 (By IACI) Disability Income Replacement adjusts how these (+) benefits are paid once a worker is eligible for Social Security benefits.		Withdrawn by Sponsor	
S1090 (By Sens. Compton & Marley) Allows any county to create Port (-) Authority for economic development; authorizes levying of property tax to support Port Authority.		Commerce & Human Resources	

<p>S1103 (By Sen. Schroeder) Amends Budget Stabilization Fund to provide for a transfer of moneys when there is a surplus over a certain amount in the General Fund to the Budget Stabilization Fund, the Idaho Millennium Fund and the Public School Holdback Protection Fund; to create the Public School Holdback Protection Fund; to provide the purpose for which the Public School Holdback Protection Fund may be used; and to define "public schools."</p>		Finance	
<p>S1105 (By Department of Environmental Quality) Allows for incorporation by reference of pollutant trading requirements into the department's rules.</p>		Pulled by Sponsor	
<p>S1119 (By Sen. Sorensen) Expands Idaho Drug-Free Workplace Act to include public employers; reduces worker's compensation premiums for employers complying with the Act.</p>		On 2 nd Reading	
<p>S1123 (By Sen. Ingram, Roy Eiguren) Provides that a Regional Public Transportation Authority is a political subdivision of the state, clarifying that it is a governmental agency for the purposes of tort liability.</p>		2 nd Reading	
<p>S1124 (By Sen. Keough, Reps. Campbell and Eskridge) Field-burning prohibited when wind is blowing north toward Lake Pend Oreille, Sandpoint, Kootenai, Ponderay, Hope or Clark Fork; violation shall be considered a violation of air quality rules.</p>		Agricultural Affairs	
<p>S1131 (By Sen. Pearce) Self-funded benefit plans administered by any municipality not required to register with Department of Insurance.</p>		Commerce & Human Resources	
<p>SCR102 (By Sen. Werk) Directs Legislative Council to appoint interim committee to study Idaho sales tax system and associated sales tax exemptions, and report findings to 2004 legislative session.</p>		State Affairs	
<p>SCR105 (By Sen. Ingram) Authorizes Legislative Council to appoint interim study committee to completely study Idaho public transportation systems and their funding methods, reporting findings to 2004 Legislature.</p>	Ways & Means	Passed 32-0	