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House of Representatives State of Idaho

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

TO: Representative Thomas Loertscher Representative Wendy Jaquet
Representative Dell Raybould Representative Bill Killen
Representative Bert Stevenson Representative George Saylor
Representative Rich Wills

FROM: Lawrence Denney, Speaker of the House

DATE: June 24, 2010

RE: Formation of a House Ethics Committee

A formal written complaint has been received in my office concerning the conduct of a member of the House pursuant to House Rule 76, which requires me, as Speaker, to appoint an Ethics Committee. The complaint is enclosed.

After considering recommendations from the House Minority Leader, I am appointing the above listed Representatives to serve on this committee and am designating Representative Loertscher to serve as Chair and Representative Jaquet to serve as Vice Chair.

In addition, I'm assigning Mr. Brian Kane from the Attorney General's Office to serve as counsel to the committee based on the recommendation of Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, and have asked Jeff Youtz, Director of Legislative Services, to coordinate other staffing as needed.

The committee will convene in August with Chairman Loertscher choosing the exact date. The first committee meeting will include a briefing on ethics committee procedures and a preliminary investigation of the complaint, which will include a review of the complaint and a review of the response to that complaint.

Thank you for your willingness to serve on this committee.

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Enclosure

cc: House Members