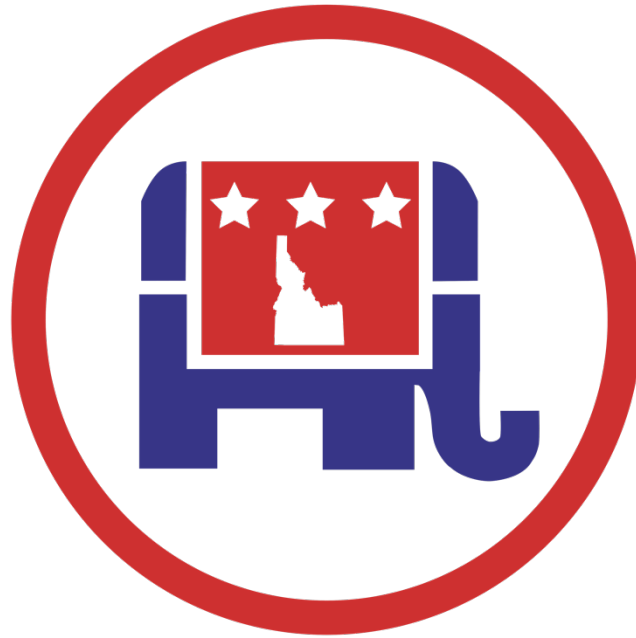


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# Proposed Rule Change 2019 – P1

Passed by: Idaho County Central Committee

**Revise the Rules of the Idaho Republican Party to include the following Article:**

## Republican Platform Loyalty & Accountability

Section 1: The State Central Committee, which is composed of broadly diverse representatives of the Republican Party, will be the evaluating body that judges, reprimands, and sanctions any Republican legislator who they determine has intentionally or consistently opposed multiple platform principles of the Republican Party in performing the duties of elected office in such a way that significantly undermines the core principles of the Republican Party Platform.

The following steps list the due process that must be followed to bring such a challenge against a sitting legislator, which may ultimately result in the necessity to withdraw Republican endorsement of the legislator.

- A. A challenge must originate from at least 2 elected Precinct Committeemen from each of 8 different counties. Each of the 8 County Central Committees must approve the proposed challenge before the challenge can be officially filed.
- B. The challenge must (1) specify which Republican Platform principle was opposed by the legislator, (2) clearly state the oppositional behavior/s to this platform principle, and (3) must be accompanied by attached evidence and documentation verifying the alleged behavior actually happened. Videos, taped recordings, official voting record, or any performance-of-duty action are examples of acceptable concrete evidences. Hearsay or unverified media reports are not acceptable evidence.
- C. The challenge and accompanying documentation must be submitted to the Chairman of the State Central Committee at least 28 days before a quorum meeting of the State Central Committee.
- D. The Chairman will provide a complete copy of the challenge and all accompanying documentation to the Republican State Central Committee members at least 21 days before the next State Central Committee meeting. At the same time the Chairman will send by certified mail to the legislator being challenged (1) a complete copy of the challenge, (2) a copy of the Article XII Republican Party Rule, and (3) an invitation to appear before the State Central Committee members at the designated time and place with the purpose and opportunity for the legislator to justify or explain his/her actions that opposed the platform.
- E. During the State Central Committee meeting the Chairman will conduct the hearing of the challenge and facilitate the legislator's explanation and testimony. After reviewing all the evidence and testimony, the Committee will immediately proceed to vote by secret ballot. If the majority of members agree that the legislator has inappropriately opposed Republican principles, AND that the accumulated actions significantly undermine the core principles of the Republican platform, a warning will be issued insisting that the Republican platform be respected and represented honorably while in office.

- F. The Chairman will send a certified letter to the legislator within 7 days after the meeting stating the decision of the committee and if appropriate, a warning that if the same oppositional behaviors persist against platform principles, the Republican Party will withdraw Republican endorsement of the legislator.
- G. In the case that an additional challenge is filed regarding continued similar behavior persisting against platform principles and which may or may not include additional issues to the previous challenge, the new challenge must follow the same steps of due process. However, this time if the committee agrees for the second time that the legislator has in fact continued to oppose the platform, and overall does not represent Republican ideology in job performance, the committee will withdraw endorsement of the Republican Party of said legislator. Thereafter the Party will not recognize the legislator as a Republican.
- H. The Chairman will again have a certified letter delivered to the legislator within 7 days after the meeting stating the decision of the committee.

# Proposed Rule Change 2019 – P2

Passed by: Madison County Republican Central Committee

**Revise the Rules of the Idaho Republican Party to include the following Article:**

## XX. Reimbursement of State Chairman Travel Expenses

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall reimburse up to fifty percent (50%) of the State Chairman's official travel expenses if all the following conditions are met:

- (A) Travel expenses are the result of official Chairman duties, specifically trips to county, region, state or national Republican events located in the United States
- (B) All submitted expenses include supporting documentation (e.g., receipts)
- (C) The Chairman has raised a minimum of \$50,000 in the current calendar year
- (D) The reimbursement does not prevent the Idaho Republican Party from meeting existing financial obligations as approved in the current budget
- (E) The reimbursement does not drop the Idaho Republican Party's bank account balance below \$25,000

Section 2. Allowed travel expenses include airfare (Main Cabin/Economy ticket), rail fare (Business/Economy ticket), rental car (Full-Size or lower), taxi fare, hotel room, and meals.

Section 3. To qualify for reimbursement, all expense requests must be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval within sixty (60) days of a trip.

Section 4. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, it may adjust the Chairman's reimbursement per trip to a percentage less than fifty percent (50%) in order to comply with the conditions outlined in Section 1., Subsections D and E, to still cover a portion of the Chairman's travel expenses.

# Proposed Rule Change 2019 – P3

**Passed by: Benewah County Central Committee**

**Amend Article III, Section 5 as follows:**

**Section 5:** The voting membership of region meetings shall be the Region Chairman, County Chairmen, State Committeemen, State Committeewomen, State Youth Committeeperson, and Legislative District Chairmen, who reside in the region. At no time can a legislative district chairman vote in more than one region. Proxies shall be honored at region meetings as provided in Article I, Section 4 for State Central Committee meetings, except that such proxies shall be submitted to the Region Secretary. A quorum shall exist if 51% of the counties and legislative districts within the region are represented.

# Proposed Rule Change 2019 – P4

Passed by: Region IV Central Committee

**Amend Article II, Sections 2 as follows:**

**Section 2:** The State Executive Committee shall consist of the following members:

(A) Voting members:

- (1) The State Chairman
- (2) The First Vice Chairman
- (3) The Second Vice Chairman
- (4) The National Committeeman
- (5) The National Committeewoman
- (6) The Secretary of the State Central Committee
- (7) The Treasurer of the State Central Committee
- (8) The Region Chairmen (7)
- (9) The State Finance Chairman
- (10) The Young Republican State Chairman
- (11) The President of the Idaho Republican Women's Federation
- (12) The President of the College Young Republicans
- (13) The State Chairman of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Idaho

(B) Non-voting (ex-officio) members:

- (1) The Immediate Past State Chairman
- (2) The Executive Director
- (3) The chairman or designee of each officially recognized Republican Donor club
- (4) The Teenage Republican Representative
- (5) The national committeeman and national committeewoman elect.
- (6) One representative of each Republican Congressional office.
- (7) One representative of each Republican State Constitutional Office or their designated representative

In order to maintain their voting rights, the clubs listed in paragraphs 10 – 13 must have donated at least \$500 to the Idaho Republican Party in the previous year. If such goal is not met, the Presidents or Chairmen of such clubs will be instead counted as non-voting (ex officio) members of the State Executive Committee.