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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Commerce & Human Resources Committee and the House Commerce & Human Resources Committee

**FROM:** Division Manager - Mike Nugent

**DATE:** October 04, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Department of Commerce

IDAPA 28.02.07 - Rules Governing the Administration of the IGEM Grant Program - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 28-0207-1601)

In 2016, HB 377 was enacted which provided that Idaho-based industry partners may receive weighted consideration for grants. The Department of Commerce defines industry partner as a domestic or foreign entity that designs, produces or sells goods or services or that contractually agrees to undertake such acts in connection with technologies licensed or otherwise transferred to the entity by a University that is partnered with an eligible applicant. The rules further provide that all approved awards are required to include a monetary or in-kind contribution from an industry partner or partners. The proposed rules also revise how grant funds will be distributed.

It appears the proposed rules have been promulgated within the scope of statutory authority granted to the Department of Commerce.

cc: Department of Commerce  
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