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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024

House of Representatives

The House convened at 12 noon, the Speaker in the Chair.

Roll call showed 66 members present.

Absent and excused - Erickson, Handy, Holtzclaw, and Redman. Total - 4.

Total - 70.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain Tom Dougherty.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chaplain Tom Dougherty.

3RD ORDER Approval of Journal

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES, AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have read and approved the House Journal of the Eighty-seventh Legislative Day and recommend that same be adopted as corrected.

SKAUG, Chairman

Mr. Skaug moved that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Gannon. Report adopted.

4TH ORDER Consideration of Messages from the Governor and the Senate

Mr. Monks asked unanimous consent that further reading of the Governor's letters cease. Ms. McCann objected.

Mr. Monks moved that further reading of the Governor's letters cease. Seconded by Mr. Dixon(1).

The question being, "Shall the motion carry?"

AYES-Alfieri, Allgood, Andrus, Barbieri, Blanksma, Boyle, Bundy, Cannon, Clow, Cornilles, Crane(12), Crane(13), Dixon(1), Dixon(24), Durrant, Ehardt, Ehlers, Furniss, Gallagher, Hawkins, Healey, Hill(Brown), Horman, Kingsley, Lambert, Lanting, Manwaring, Mendive, Mickelsen, Miller, Mitchell, Monks, Palmer, Petzke, Pickett, Price, Raybould, Raymond, Scott, Shepherd, Skaug, Tanner, Vander Woude, Weber, Wheeler, Wisniewski, Wroten, Yamamoto, Young, Mr. Speaker. Total - 50.

NAYS-Achilles, Berch, Burns, Cheatum, Chew(Harada), Galaviz, Gannon, Garner, Green, Mathias, McCann, Necochea, Nelsen, Roberts, Rubel, Sauter. Total - 16.

Absent-Erickson, Handy, Holtzclaw, Redman. Total - 4. Total - 70.

Whereupon the Speaker declared the motion carried.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 8, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 8, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bill, to wit:

H 722

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 9:20 a.m. on April 3, 2024.

With the signing of this legislation and the funding of Idaho LAUNCH, we are taking a tremendous step toward achieving my top goal as Governor: to make Idaho the place where we all can have the opportunity to thrive, where our children and grandchildren choose to stay, and for the ones who have left choose to return.

With LAUNCH, Idaho is taking extraordinary steps to prepare our young people for a lifetime of prosperity. I am certain LAUNCH will be looked upon by future generations, employers, high schoolers, and legislators as the cornerstone in our long-term success as a state, a visionary project that took courage to support. This initiative, alongside our historic investments in education, infrastructure, and tax relief, is a clear example of the extraordinary things we can achieve when we put the needs of Idahoans first. Our work has established Idaho as one of the most forward-thinking states in the nation for workforce development and post-secondary education.

I thank my legislative partners who have championed LAUNCH from the start. While the road has not always been easy, with LAUNCH we have made Idaho a better place for generations to come.

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 8, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 8, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bills, to wit:

<u>H 603</u>, as amended in the Senate, <u>H 741</u>, <u>H 751</u>, <u>H 754</u>, <u>H 757</u>, <u>H 761</u>, <u>H 762</u>, <u>H 763</u>, and <u>H 766</u>

> Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 8, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 8, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bills, to wit:

<u>H 538, H 599, H 570</u>, as amended in the Senate, <u>H 670</u>, as amended in the Senate, H 748, H 750, H 752, H 758, and H 767

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 8, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 8, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bills, to wit:

H 765 and H 768

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 9, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 9, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bill, to wit:

H 746

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 9, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 9, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bill, to wit:

H 421

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 10, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 10, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bill, to wit:

H 710, as amended in the Senate

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 10:17 a.m. on April 4, 2024.

Like public schools, libraries are places where the community gathers to learn and connect. This is especially true in rural Idaho where the local schools and libraries have become hubs of community activity. For children, libraries open doors to reading and intellectual exploration, helping them to become lifelong learners. It's no wonder the vast majority of Idahoans say they value libraries and trust librarians. I, too, am a strong supporter of public libraries.

Last year, I vetoed a bill that would have created a library bounty system so egregious that smaller libraries would have been forced to close their doors to minors altogether. The bill would have significantly increased costs and liabilities for libraries, particularly in rural Idaho, and the costs would have been forced onto property taxpayers. The library bill the Legislature passed last year was a non-starter for me, especially because one of my top priorities is literacy and libraries play such a crucial role in helping our youngsters to read early on.

After vetoing last year's library bill, I told the sponsors my specific issues with it. In response, House Bill 710aaS this year addresses most, but not all, of the concerns I outlined in my veto letter last year. Primarily, this bill reduces damages from \$2,500 to \$250, and it allows a fair opportunity for local libraries to avoid legal action and fees if they address materials of concern within 60 days. Compared to last year's legislation, House Bill 710aaS also tightens the definition of what is considered "harmful to minors," providing greater clarity for local libraries and their patrons.

I share the cosponsors' desire to keep truly inappropriate library materials out of the hands of minors. That said, I still believe a greater harm confronts our children - content accessible to

them on their phones and devices. I was pleased to sign House Bill 498 this session requiring age verification on pornography web sites, and while we have much more to do to truly protect our children, House Bill 498 was a good start. However, I was disappointed the Legislature passed up an opportunity to advance meaningful legislation to truly protect children from the harms of social media, as I called on this body to do during my State of the State and Budget Address in January.

While I have signed House Bill 710aaS, like many Idahoans, I will be watching the implementation and outcomes of this legislation very closely.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 10, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 10, 2024 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following House bill, to wit:

H 764

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Boise

April 10, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to advise you that I have transmitted to the Office of the Secretary of State, without my signature, the following House bills, to wit:

H 770 and H 726

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 12:15 p.m. on April 4, 2024.

We are the fastest growing state in the nation. We must keep up with the demands for expanded transportation systems in order for our continued economic prosperity and the safety of our citizens. I am pleased the Legislature has been such a strong partner in championing investments in transportation infrastructure without raising taxes and fees. Idaho has been recognized for the significant improvements we have made to our transportation system over the past few years.

However, I did not sign these bills because the intent language unwinds statutory policy language about how the state handles surplus properties and it increases overhead for office space needs around the state. In addition, it unfairly cancels an agreed upon sales process, causing future reputational risk for the State of Idaho

Sincerely, /s/ Brad Little Governor

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

I return herewith <u>HCR 44</u> which has passed the Senate. NOVAK, Secretary

<u>HCR 44</u> was referred to the Judiciary, Rules, and Administration Committee for enrolling.

5TH ORDER Report of Standing Committees

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have enrolled HCR 44.

SKAUG, Chairman

The Speaker announced he was about to sign enrolled HCR 44 and, when so signed, ordered it transmitted to the Senate for the signature of the President.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the Seventh Order of Business.

7TH ORDER Motions, Memorials, and Resolutions

<u>S 1460</u> - APPROPRIATIONS - HEALTH AND WELFARE - WELFARE DIVISION

Mr. Monks moved that all rules of the House interfering with the immediate consideration of <u>S 1460</u> be suspended; that the portions of Section 15, Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Idaho, requiring all bills to be read on three several days be dispensed with, this being a case of urgency; and that <u>S 1460</u> be read the second time by title and third time at length, section by section, and placed before the House for final consideration. Seconded by Ms. Rubel.

The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES-Achilles, Alfieri, Allgood, Andrus, Barbieri, Berch, Blanksma, Boyle, Bundy, Burns, Cannon, Cheatum, Chew(Harada), Clow, Cornilles, Crane(12), Crane(13), Dixon(1), Dixon(24), Durrant, Ehardt, Ehlers, Furniss, Galaviz, Gallagher, Gannon, Garner, Green, Hawkins, Healey, Hill(Brown), Horman, Kingsley, Lambert, Lanting, Manwaring, Mathias, McCann, Mendive, Mickelsen, Miller, Mitchell, Monks, Necochea, Nelsen, Palmer, Petzke, Pickett, Price, Raybould, Raymond, Roberts, Rubel, Sauter, Scott, Shepherd, Skaug, Tanner, Weber, Wheeler, Wisniewski, Wroten, Yamamoto, Young, Mr. Speaker. Total - 65.

NAYS-None.

Absent–Erickson, Handy, Holtzclaw, Redman, Vander Woude. Total - 5.

Total - 70.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that more than two-thirds of the membership having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, the rules were suspended, and \$\frac{\mathbf{S}}{1460}\$ was read the second time by title and third time at length, section by section, and placed before the House for final consideration.

At this time, the Speaker recognized Ms. Raybould to open debate.

The question being, "Shall S 1460 pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES-Allgood, Andrus, Barbieri, Blanksma, Bundy, Cannon, Clow, Cornilles, Dixon(1), Dixon(24), Ehlers, Furniss, Healey, Horman, Lanting, Manwaring, Mendive, Mickelsen, Miller, Monks, Nelsen, Palmer, Petzke, Pickett, Raybould, Raymond, Sauter, Weber, Wheeler, Wroten, Yamamoto, Young, Mr. Speaker. Total - 33.

NAYS-Achilles, Alfieri, Berch, Boyle, Burns, Cheatum, Chew(Harada), Crane(12), Crane(13), Durrant, Ehardt, Galaviz, Gallagher, Gannon, Garner, Green, Hawkins, Hill(Brown), Kingsley, Lambert, Mathias, McCann, Mitchell, Necochea, Price, Roberts, Rubel, Scott, Shepherd, Skaug, Tanner, Wisniewski. Total - 32.

Absent-Erickson, Handy, Holtzclaw, Redman, Vander Woude. Total - 5.

Total - 70.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that $\frac{S}{2}$ 1460 passed the House. Title was approved and the bill ordered returned to the Senate.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the Fifteenth Order of Business.

15TH ORDER Announcements

Announcements were made to the body.

There being no objection, the House returned to the Fourth Order of Business.

4TH ORDER Consideration of Messages from the Governor and the Senate

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

I transmit herewith enrolled $\underline{\underline{S}\ 1460}$ for the signature of the Speaker.

NOVAK, Secretary

The Speaker announced he was about to sign enrolled <u>S 1460</u> and, when so signed, ordered it returned to the Senate.

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

I return herewith enrolled <u>HCR 44</u> which has been signed by the President.

NOVAK, Secretary

Enrolled <u>HCR 44</u> was referred to the Judiciary, Rules, and Administration Committee for delivery to the Secretary of State.

5TH ORDER Report of Standing Committees

April 10, 2024

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have transmitted enrolled HCR 44 to the Secretary of State at 2:41 p.m., as of this date, April 10, 2024.

SKAUG, Chairman

Mr. Monks asked unanimous consent that committees be appointed by the Speaker to notify the Governor and the Senate that the House is ready to adjourn Sine Die. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Speaker appointed Representatives Palmer, Crane(12), and Burns to notify the Governor and Representatives Scott, Kingsley, and Gannon to notify the Senate. The committees were excused.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor reported that it had delivered the message to the Governor. The committee was thanked and discharged by the Speaker.

The committee appointed to notify the Senate reported that they had delivered the message to the Senate. The committee was thanked and discharged by the Speaker.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the Fifteenth Order of Business.

15TH ORDER Announcements

Announcements were made to the body.

16TH ORDER Adjournment

Mr. Monks moved that the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh Legislature adjourn Sine Die. Seconded by Ms. Rubel.

Whereupon the Speaker declared the motion carried and the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh Legislature adjourned Sine Die at 2:49 p.m., Wednesday, April 10, 2024. MIKE MOYLE, Speaker

ATTEST:

ERICA MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The following actions were recorded after House Sine Die: