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BRAD LITTLE  
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The Honorable Janice McGeachin  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate  
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Dear Madam President,

I hereby advise you that I have returned without my approval, disapproved, and vetoed, the following Senate bill, to wit:

SENATE BILL 1400

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on March 23, 2022.

Since day one, I have made cybersecurity and resilience a top priority of my administration. Through the efforts of the Office of Information Technology Services we have made great progress in protecting our state's critical infrastructure, though this work is ongoing and constantly evolving.

The executive branch shares the goals with the legislature on better communication, Service Level Agreements, and a thorough technical audit to ensure Idahoans are safe and secure. We remain committed to ensuring these goals are carried out.

The intent language in section 4 is overly restrictive and hampers the state's ability to effectively respond to present and emerging threats. The "notwithstanding" language attempts to sidestep Section 67-827, Idaho Code, and could, as a result, increase the state's vulnerability to cyberattacks or weaken the response to such.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Little".

Brad Little  
Governor of Idaho