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**FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025**

Senate Chamber

President Bedke called the Senate to order at 10:15 a.m.

Roll call showed all members present except Senators Harris, Lent, Okuniewicz, Ricks, Ward-Engelking, and Wintrow, absent and formally excused by the Chair; and Senators Semmelroth and Zito, absent and excused.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain Doug Armstrong.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Clever, Page.

The Senate advanced to the Third Order of Business.

Senator Zito was recorded present at this order of business.

### Reading and Correction of the Journal

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that the Senate Journal of the proceedings of January 9, 2025, was read and approved as corrected.

LAKEY, Chairman

There being no objection, the report was adopted and ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the Senate advanced to the Eighth Order of Business.

### Messages from the Governor

December 19, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Thomas J. Wilford of Boise, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Endowment Fund Investment Board to serve a term commencing March 12, 2023, and expiring April 11, 2027.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

December 19, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Patricia Perkins of Boise, Idaho, was reappointed to the Treasurer's Investment Advisory Board to serve a term commencing July 1, 2024, and expiring July 1, 2028.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

December 19, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Craig Hill of Priest Lake, Idaho, was reappointed to the Lake Pend Oreille Basin Commission to serve a term commencing July 24, 2024, and expiring July 24, 2027.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

December 19, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Trevor Sparrow of Pierce, Idaho, was appointed as the Health and Social Services Ombudsman to serve a term commencing December 9, 2024, and continuing at the pleasure of the Governor.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

December 19, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Marc Gibbs of Grace, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Water Resource Board to serve a term commencing January 1, 2025, and expiring January 1, 2029.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

December 31, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Elizabeth Elroy of Meridian, Idaho, was reappointed to the Board of Environmental Quality to serve a term commencing July 1, 2024, and expiring July 1, 2028.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

December 31, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Lance Boylan of Kellogg, Idaho, was appointed to the Board of Environmental Quality to serve a term commencing December 1, 2024, and expiring July 1, 2028.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

December 31, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Dean Stevenson of Paul, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Water Resource Board to serve a term commencing January 1, 2025, and expiring January 1, 2029.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

January 6, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Andrew Arulanandam of Boise, Idaho, was appointed as the Director of the Idaho Lottery Commission to serve a term commencing August 23, 2024, and continuing at the pleasure of the Governor.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

January 6, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Andrew Arulanandam of Boise, Idaho, was appointed as the Director of the State Liquor

Division to serve a term commencing August 23, 2024, and continuing at the pleasure of the Governor.

January 6, 2025

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

January 6, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Lisa Paulos of Jerome, Idaho, was appointed to the Public Charter School Commission to serve a term commencing October 10, 2024, and expiring May 12, 2028.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the Education Committee.

January 6, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Dennis Leikam of Idaho Falls, Idaho, was appointed to the Board of Environmental Quality to serve a term commencing December 1, 2024, and expiring July 1, 2028.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Luke Malek of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was appointed to the State Board of Correction to serve a term commencing January 30, 2025, and expiring January 30, 2031.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of appointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial appointment was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

January 8, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Wanda Quinn of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was reappointed to the Public Charter School Commission to serve a term commencing May 12, 2024, and expiring May 12, 2028.

This reappointment is subject to confirmation by the Senate, and notice of reappointment is hereby given.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Brad Little  
Governor

The correspondence was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The Gubernatorial reappointment was referred to the Education Committee.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the Senate advanced to the Fifteenth Order of Business.

**Miscellaneous Business**

On motion by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Ruchti, by voice vote, the Senate adjourned at 10:31 a.m. until the hour of 11 a.m., Monday, January 13, 2025.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary