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House of Representatives

The House convened at 10:30 a.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Roll call showed 66 members present.

Absent and excused - Bruce, Green, Manwaring, and Wheeler. Total - 4.

Total - 70.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain Tom Dougherty.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ethan Cowell, Page.

3RD ORDER Approval of Journal

February 19, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have read and approved the House Journal of the Thirty-eighth 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.

At this time, the Speaker put the House at ease for the House Page Program.

Prior to going at ease, the House was at the Third Order of Business.

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

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

I transmit herewith [S 1242](#), [S 1243](#), [S 1244](#), and [S 1261](#) which have passed the Senate.

NOVAK, Secretary

[S 1242](#), [S 1243](#), [S 1244](#), and [S 1261](#) were filed for first reading.

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

I return herewith [H 514](#) and [H 515](#) which have passed the Senate.

NOVAK, Secretary

[H 514](#) and [H 515](#) were referred to the Judiciary, Rules, and Administration Committee for enrolling.

5TH ORDER Report of Standing Committees

February 19, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have printed [HCR 29](#), [H 723](#), [H 724](#), [H 725](#), [H 726](#), [H 727](#), [H 728](#), and [HJR 10](#).

SKAUG, Chairman

[HCR 29](#), [H 725](#), [H 726](#), and [HJR 10](#) were referred to the State Affairs Committee.

[H 723](#) and [H 724](#) were referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[H 727](#) was referred to the Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee.

[H 728](#) was referred to the Education Committee.

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND DEFENSE, report that we have had under consideration [H 628](#) and [H 663](#) and recommend that they do pass.

PALMER, Chairman

[H 628](#) and [H 663](#) were filed for second reading.

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS, report that we have had under consideration [H 630](#) and [H 631](#) and recommend that they do pass.

RAYMOND, Chairman

[H 630](#) and [H 631](#) were filed for second reading.

February 19, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS, report that we have had under consideration [H 548](#) and recommend that it do pass.

CRANE(13), Chairman

[H 548](#) was filed for second reading.

February 19, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, report that we have had under consideration [H 599](#) and recommend that it do pass.

HAWKINS, Chairman

[H 599](#) was filed for second reading.

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND DEFENSE, return misdirected [H 688](#) to the Desk.

PALMER, Chairman

[H 688](#) was referred to the Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee.

February 18, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, return misdirected [HJR 9](#) to the Desk.

HAWKINS, Chairman

[HJR 9](#) was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

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

8TH ORDER

Introduction, First Reading, and Reference of Bills and Joint Resolutions

HOUSE BILL NO. 729

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE IDAHO DENTAL PLAN TRANSPARENCY ACT; AMENDING TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW CHAPTER 67, TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A SHORT TITLE, TO DEFINE TERMS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR TRANSPARENCY OF DENTAL HEALTH CARE SERVICE PLAN PATIENT PREMIUMS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 730

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AMENDING CHAPTER 2, TITLE 56, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 56-205A, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM INTEGRITY MEASURES; AMENDING SECTION 56-211, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING VERIFICATION FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 731

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 1, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-144, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN THE FEDERAL TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 732

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAX; AMENDING SECTION 63-36220, TO PROVIDE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR DONATIONS TO, SALES TO, OR PURCHASES BY THE SALVATION ARMY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 733

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3026B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A PROVISION REGARDING THE TIME FOR THE FILING OF AN ELECTION AS AN AFFECTED BUSINESS ENTITY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 63-3068, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PERIOD OF LIMITATIONS FOR ISSUING A NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY AND COLLECTION OF TAX; AMENDING SECTION 63-3069, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING NOTICE OF ADJUSTMENT OF FEDERAL OR STATE TAX LIABILITY; AMENDING CHAPTER 30, TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-3070, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING PARTNERSHIP INCOME AND FEDERAL ADJUSTMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 63-3072, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING CERTAIN TIME PERIODS FOR DETERMINATION OF CREDITS OR REFUNDS OF IDAHO INCOME TAXES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 734

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3503B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE ALLOTMENT AND APPORTIONMENT OF TAX DUE FROM PRODUCERS OF ELECTRICITY BY MEANS OF WIND ENERGY, SOLAR ENERGY, OR GEOTHERMAL ENERGY BY THE STATE TAX COMMISSION AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING RETROACTIVE APPLICATION.

HOUSE BILL NO. 735

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 66, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-6628B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS ENGAGED IN PAID IN-PERSON CANVASSING ACTIVITIES; AMENDING SECTION 67-6625, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A CODE REFERENCE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 736

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 34-903, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PRESCRIBE FORM AND CONTENTS OF ALL BALLOTS AND RELATED

DOCUMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 737
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; REPEALING SECTION 67-818, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE COORDINATION OF POLICY AND PROGRAMS RELATED TO THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES IN IDAHO; AMENDING CHAPTER 8, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-818, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 67-819, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND AND TO RENAME THE FUND; AMENDING SECTION 22-5501, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 36-715, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 36-1121, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 36-2402, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 36-2403, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 36-2405, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 42-251, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 47-1706, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 57-1306, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 67-826, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 67-5303, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 67-5806, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AMENDING SECTION 67-5807, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OFFICE OF SPECIES, MINERALS, AND ENERGY COORDINATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 738
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES; AMENDING SECTION 30-25-201, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT AN ORGANIZER MAY USE THE STREET AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF A COMPANY'S COMMERCIAL REGISTERED AGENT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 739
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PEDIATRIC SECRETIVE TRANSITIONS PARENTAL RIGHTS ACT; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 32, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 32-1016, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A SHORT TITLE, TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT, TO DEFINE TERMS, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING CERTAIN PROHIBITED ACTS, TO PROVIDE FOR CIVIL ACTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 740
BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC FUNDS; AMENDING SECTION 57-723A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE DEPOSIT AND DISTRIBUTION OF EARNINGS RESERVE FUNDS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 741
BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 52, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-5207A, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING EARNED AUTONOMY FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[H 729](#), [H 730](#), [H 731](#), [H 732](#), [H 733](#), [H 734](#), [H 735](#), [H 736](#), [H 737](#), [H 738](#), [H 739](#), [H 740](#), and [H 741](#) were introduced, read the first time by title, and referred to the Judiciary, Rules, and Administration Committee for printing.

[S 1242](#) and [S 1243](#), by Agricultural Affairs Committee, were introduced, read the first time by title, and referred to the Agricultural Affairs Committee.

[S 1244](#), by Education Committee, was introduced, read the first time by title, and referred to the Education Committee.

[S 1261](#), by Commerce and Human Resources Committee, was introduced, read the first time by title, and referred to the Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

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

10TH ORDER
Second Reading of Bills and Joint Resolutions

[HR 24](#), by Revenue and Taxation Committee, was read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

[H 543](#), by Commerce and Human Resources Committee, was read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

[H 652](#), by Resources and Conservation Committee, was read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

[H 556](#), by Local Government Committee, was read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

[H 602](#) and [H 654](#), by Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee, were read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

[H 549](#) and [H 673](#), by State Affairs Committee, were read the second time by title and filed for third reading.

11TH ORDER

Third Reading of Bills and Joint Resolutions

Mr. Monks asked unanimous consent that [H 671](#) retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar for one legislative day. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

[H 598](#) - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

[H 598](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the House for final consideration.

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

Ms. McCann asked unanimous consent that [H 598](#) be placed on General Orders for consideration. Mr. Marmon objected.

Mr. Crane(13) moved that [H 598](#) be placed on General Orders for consideration. Seconded by Ms. Rubel.

The question being, "Shall the motion carry?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Alfieri, Beiswenger, Berch, Bingham, Boyle, Burgoyne, Cannon, Cheatum, Church, Cornilles, Crane(12), Crane(13), Dygert, Egbert, Ehardt, Ehlers, Erickson, Fuhrman, Furniss, Galaviz, Gannon, Garner, Hall(Stone), Handy, Harris, Haws, Healey, Hill, Holtzclaw, Mathias, McCann, Mickelsen, Miller, Mitchell, Monks, Nelsen, Palmer, Petzke, Pickett, Pohanka, Price, Raybould, Raymond, Redman(Zaken), Rubel, Sauter, Scott, Shirts, Skaug, Tanner(13), Tanner(14), Vander Woude, Veile, Weber, Mr. Speaker. Total - 55.

NAYS—Barbieri, Cayler, Hawkins, Hostetler, Leavitt, Marmon, Mendive, Rasor, Thompson, Wisniewski. Total - 10.

Absent—Bruce, Green, Manwaring, Shepherd, Wheeler. Total - 5.

Total - 70.

Whereupon the Speaker declared the motion carried and [H 598](#) was placed on General Orders for consideration.

[H 620](#) - BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

[H 620](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the House for final consideration.

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

The question being, "Shall [H 620](#) pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Alfieri, Barbieri, Beiswenger, Berch, Bingham, Boyle, Burgoyne, Cannon, Cheatum, Church, Cornilles, Crane(12), Crane(13), Dygert, Egbert, Ehardt, Ehlers, Erickson, Fuhrman, Furniss, Galaviz, Gannon, Garner, Hall(Stone), Handy, Harris, Hawkins, Haws, Healey, Hill, Holtzclaw, Mathias, McCann, Mendive, Mickelsen, Miller, Mitchell, Monks, Nelsen, Palmer, Petzke, Pickett, Pohanka, Price, Rasor,

Raybould, Raymond, Redman(Zaken), Rubel, Sauter, Scott, Shirts, Skaug, Tanner(13), Tanner(14), Vander Woude, Veile, Weber, Wisniewski, Mr. Speaker. Total - 60.

NAYS—Cayler, Hostetler, Leavitt, Marmon, Thompson. Total - 5.

Absent—Bruce, Green, Manwaring, Shepherd, Wheeler. Total - 5.

Total - 70.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that [H 620](#) passed the House. Title was approved and the bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Monks asked unanimous consent that the remaining bills on the Third Reading Calendar retain their places for one legislative day. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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

5TH ORDER

Report of Standing Committees

February 19, 2026

Mr. Speaker:

We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION, report that we have enrolled [H 514](#) and [H 515](#).

SKAUG, Chairman

The Speaker announced he was about to sign enrolled [H 514](#) and [H 515](#) and, when so signed, ordered them transmitted to the Senate for the signature of the President.

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 House adjourn until 11 a.m., Friday, February 20, 2026. Seconded by Ms. Rubel. Motion carried.

Whereupon the Speaker declared the House adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

MIKE MOYLE, Speaker

ATTEST:

CYRUS VORE, Acting Chief Clerk