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**THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026**

Senate Chamber

President Bedke called the Senate to order at 11 a.m.  
Roll call showed all members present.  
Prayer was offered by Chaplain Doug Armstrong.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Easton Chandler, Page.  
The Senate advanced to the Third Order of Business.

### Reading and Correction of the Journal

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that the Senate Journal of the proceedings of January 13, 2026, 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 30, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Brett Thomas of Twin Falls, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring April 10, 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Gregory Donaca of Eagle, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring April 10, 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

December 30, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Brian Scigliano of Boise, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Commission on Human Rights to serve a term commencing July 1, 2025, 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 30, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Clayton Steele of Lewiston, Idaho, was reappointed to the Board of Environmental Quality to serve a term commencing July 1, 2025, and expiring July 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 Health and Welfare Committee.

December 30, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Amy Anderson of Kamiah, Idaho, was appointed to the Commission of Pardons and Parole to serve a term commencing January 1, 2026, and expiring January 1, 2029.

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, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Hyatt Erstad of Boise, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring April 10, 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

January 8, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Janice Fulkerson of Meridian, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring April 10, 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

January 8, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Dr. Karen Cabell of Post Falls, Idaho, was appointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing September 11, 2025, and expiring April 10, 2029.

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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

January 8, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Salvador Cruz of Boise, Idaho, was appointed as the Director of the Department of Finance to serve a term commencing December 18, 2025, 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

January 8, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke  
President of the Senate  
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Salvador Cruz of Boise, Idaho, was appointed to the Treasurer's Investment Advisory

Board to serve a term commencing January 1, 2026, 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 State Affairs 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 Wintrow, by voice vote, the Senate adjourned at 11:14 a.m. until the hour of 10:45 a.m., Thursday, January 15, 2026.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary