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Senate Chamber

President Pro Tempore Anthon 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 Hazel Stephens, 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 March 6, 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 Sixth Order of Business.

Reports of Standing Committees

March 9, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1374](#) and [S 1375](#) have been correctly printed.

LAKEY, Chairman

[S 1374](#) was referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[S 1375](#) was referred to the Finance Committee.

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The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1248](#) and [S 1249](#) have been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President Pro Tempore signed Enrolled [S 1248](#) and [S 1249](#) and ordered them transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

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The STATE AFFAIRS Committee reports out [H 603](#), [S 1348](#), [S 1350](#), [S 1351](#), [S 1359](#), and [SJM 114](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GUTHRIE, Chairman

[H 603](#), [S 1348](#), [S 1350](#), [S 1351](#), and [S 1359](#) were filed for second reading.

[SJM 114](#) was referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

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The FINANCE Committee reports out [S 1373](#) with the recommendation that it do pass.

GROW, Chairman

[S 1373](#) was filed for second reading.

March 9, 2026

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee reports out [H 560](#), [H 697](#), [H 698](#), [S 1364](#), and [S 1370](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GUTHRIE, Chairman

[H 560](#), [H 697](#), [H 698](#), [S 1364](#), and [S 1370](#) were filed for second reading.

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

Messages from the House

March 6, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith [H 659](#), [H 674](#), [H 566](#), [H 568](#), and [H 774](#), which have passed the House.

VORE, Acting Chief Clerk

[H 659](#), [H 674](#), [H 566](#), [H 568](#), and [H 774](#) were filed for first reading.

March 6, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1244](#), [S 1265](#), and [S 1331](#), which have passed the House.

VORE, Acting Chief Clerk

[S 1244](#), [S 1265](#), and [S 1331](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for enrolling.

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

Introduction, First Reading, and Reference of Bills, House Petitions, Resolutions, and Memorials

S 1376

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 34-1404, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

S 1377
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC NOTICES; AMENDING CHAPTER 1, TITLE 60, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 60-106B, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS ALLOWING CERTAIN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES TO PUBLISH ABBREVIATED PUBLIC NOTICES IN NEWSPAPERS IN LIEU OF FULL PUBLIC NOTICES AND REQUIRING CERTAIN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES TO PUBLISH FULL PUBLIC NOTICES ON THE NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION OF IDAHO'S WEBSITE FOR PUBLIC NOTICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

S 1378
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AN ACT

RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATION; AMENDING SECTION 57-1901, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE OFF-ROAD MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTION 67-7106, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING SNOWMOBILES; AMENDING SECTION 67-7107A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE STATE SNOWMOBILE AVALANCHE FUND; AMENDING SECTION 67-7113, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING VIOLATIONS AND LIABILITY; AMENDING SECTION 67-7126, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES AND THE ASSOCIATED ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTION 67-7127, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE USE OF MONEYS IN THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTION 67-7128, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[S 1376](#), [S 1377](#), and [S 1378](#) were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for printing.

[H 659](#), by Local Government Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

[H 674](#), by State Affairs Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

[H 566](#) and [H 568](#), by Resources and Conservation Committee, were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

[H 774](#), by Ways and Means Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

The Senate advanced to the Twelfth Order of Business.

Second Reading of Bills

[S 1363](#), by Finance Committee, was read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

[H 544](#) and [H 642](#), by Commerce and Human Resources Committee, were read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

[H 723](#), by Health and Welfare Committee, was read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

The Senate advanced to the Thirteenth Order of Business.

Third Reading of Bills

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1264](#), having been held, retained its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [SJR 103](#), having been held, retained its place on the Third Reading Calendar for Friday, March 13, 2026.

[S 1328](#), having been held, was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Harris arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Keyser, Lakey, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Rundhaug (Carlson), Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward. Total - 30.

NAYS—Coho (Lenney), Hart, Kohl, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 5.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President Pro Tempore declared [S 1328](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered transmitted to the House.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1361](#), having been held, and [S 1362](#) retained their place on the Third Reading Calendar for one legislative day.

[S 1260](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Lakey arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Coho (Lenney), Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Ricks, Rundhaug (Carlson), Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 29.

NAYS—Rabe, Ruchti, Semmelroth, Taylor, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow. Total - 6.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President Pro Tempore declared [S 1260](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered transmitted to the House.

[S 1345](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Ricks arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Coho (Lenney), Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey,

Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Rundhaug (Carlson), Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 35.

Whereupon the President Pro Tempore declared [S 1345](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered transmitted to the House.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1353](#) retained its place on the Third Reading Calendar for one legislative day.

[S 1224](#), as amended, was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Burtenshaw arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Coho (Lenney), Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Rundhaug (Carlson), Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 35.

Whereupon the President Pro Tempore declared [S 1224](#), as amended, passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered transmitted to the House.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1326](#), as amended, retained its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

[S 1340](#), as amended, was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Harris arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Burtenshaw, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Guthrie, Harris, Lent, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ruchti, Rundhaug (Carlson), Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward. Total - 21.

NAYS—Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Coho (Lenney), Foreman, Grow, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Nichols, Ricks, Toews, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 14.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President Pro Tempore declared [S 1340](#), as amended, passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered transmitted to the House.

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

Petitions, Resolutions, and Memorials

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

Reports of Standing Committees

On motion by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, by voice vote the Senate recessed at 11:59 a.m. until the hour of 4:30 p.m. of this day.

RECESS AFTERNOON SESSION

The Senate reconvened at 4:30 p.m., pursuant to recess, President Pro Tempore Anthon presiding.

Roll call showed all members present except Senators Adams and VanOrden, absent and excused.

Prior to recess the Senate was at the Sixth Order of Business, Reports of Standing Committees.

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The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1244](#), [S 1265](#), and [S 1331](#) have been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President Pro Tempore signed Enrolled [S 1244](#), [S 1265](#), and [S 1331](#) and ordered them transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

March 9, 2026

The FINANCE Committee reports out [S 1375](#) with the recommendation that it do pass.

GROW, Chairman

[S 1375](#) was filed for second reading.

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The RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT Committee reports out [H 503](#), [H 676](#), [H 737](#), [HJM 14](#), [S 1303](#), and [S 1337](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

BURTENSHAW, Chairman

[H 503](#), [H 676](#), [H 737](#), [S 1303](#), and [S 1337](#) were filed for second reading.

[HJM 14](#) was referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

March 9, 2026

The HEALTH AND WELFARE Committee reports out [H 777](#) and [HCR 30](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

VANORDEN, Chair

[H 777](#) was filed for second reading.

[HCR 30](#) was referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

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The EDUCATION Committee reports out [S 1339](#) with the recommendation that it do pass.

LENT, Chairman

[S 1339](#) was filed for second reading.

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

