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Senate Chamber

President Bedke called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll call showed all members present except Senator Ruchti, absent and excused.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain Doug Armstrong.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Iver Iverson, 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 April 1, 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

April 1, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1446](#) has been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [S 1446](#) and ordered it transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that Enrolled [SCR 127](#) was delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State at 8:05 a.m., April 2, 2026.

LAKEY, Chairman

The report was 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 Ninth Order of Business.

Messages from the House

April 1, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), and [S 1447](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), and [S 1447](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for enrolling.

April 1, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith Enrolled [H 964](#), [H 965](#), [H 966](#), [H 957](#), [H 967](#), and [H 968](#) for the signature of the President.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The President signed Enrolled [H 964](#), [H 965](#), [H 966](#), [H 957](#), [H 967](#), and [H 968](#) and ordered them returned to the House.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith Enrolled [HCR 29](#), [HJM 20](#), [HJM 22](#), and [H 971](#) for the signature of the President.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The President signed Enrolled [HCR 29](#), [HJM 20](#), [HJM 22](#), and [H 971](#) and ordered them returned to the House.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith [H 621](#), as amended, [H 975](#), [H 976](#), and [H 973](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[H 621](#), as amended, [H 975](#), [H 976](#), and [H 973](#) were filed for first reading.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1247](#), as amended in the House, which has passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

On request by Senator Harris, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1247](#), as amended in the House, was referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, for consideration as to possible concurrence in the House amendments.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for enrolling.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith Enrolled [H 706](#) for the signature of the President.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The President signed Enrolled [H 706](#) and ordered it returned to the House.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith Enrolled [S 1446](#), which has been signed by the Speaker.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

Enrolled [S 1446](#) was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for transmittal to the Office of the Governor.

The Senate advanced to the Tenth Order of Business.

Motions and Resolutions

On request by Senator Harris, granted by unanimous consent, the Senate did not concur in the House amendments to [S 1247](#), as amended in the House.

[S 1247](#), as amended in the House, was ordered filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate.

The President announced that [SCR 128](#), having been held, was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

On motion by President Pro Tempore Anthon, seconded by Senator Wintrow, [SCR 128](#) was adopted by voice vote, title was approved, and the resolution ordered transmitted to the House.

The Senate advanced to the Eleventh Order of Business.

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

[H 621](#), as amended, by State Affairs Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

[H 975](#), [H 976](#), and [H 973](#), by Appropriations Committee, were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Finance Committee.

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

Reports of Standing Committees

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1447](#), [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#) have been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1447](#), [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#) and ordered them transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that Enrolled [S 1446](#) was delivered to the Office of the Governor at 1:39 p.m., April 2, 2026.

LAKEY, Chairman

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

April 2, 2026

The FINANCE Committee reports out [H 973](#), [H 975](#), and [H 976](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GROW, Chairman

[H 973](#), [H 975](#), and [H 976](#) were filed for second reading.

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

Second Reading of Bills

Motion to Suspend Rules

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Harris, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate passage of [H 973](#) be suspended; that the portions of Section 15, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho requiring all bills to be read on three several days be dispensed with, this being a case of urgency, and that [H 973](#) be read the second time by title and third time at length, section by section, and be put upon its final passage. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Keyser, Kohl, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 28.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Adams, Foreman, Hart, Lakey, Lenney, Ruchti, Wintrow. Total - 7.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended.

[H 973](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Ward-Engelking arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Kohl, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 29.

NAYS—Keyser, Lenney. Total - 2.

Absent and excused—Adams, Foreman, Lakey, Ruchti. Total - 4.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 973](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate consideration of [H 975](#) be suspended. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 32.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Foreman, Lakey, Ruchti. Total - 3.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended and announced that [H 975](#) was before the Senate for final consideration.

[H 975](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Cook 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, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Lent, Ricks, VanOrden, Woodward. Total - 19.

NAYS—Kohl, Lenney, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 13.

Absent and excused—Foreman, Lakey, Ruchti. Total - 3.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 975](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate consideration of [H 976](#) be suspended. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 32.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Foreman, Lakey, Ruchti. Total - 3.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended and announced that [H 976](#) was before the Senate for final consideration.

[H 976](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Cook 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, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 32.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Foreman, Lakey, Ruchti. Total - 3.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 976](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

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

Messages from the Governor

April 2, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 2, 2026 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following Senate Bills, to wit:

[S 1389](#), [S 1391](#), [S 1396](#), [S 1429](#), [S 1430](#),
[S 1431](#), [S 1432](#), [S 1433](#), [S 1434](#), [S 1435](#), and
[S 1437](#)

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor of Idaho

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

The Senate advanced to the Ninth Order of Business.

Messages from the House

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith [H 972](#), [H 978](#), and [H 974](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[H 972](#), [H 978](#), and [H 974](#) were filed for first reading.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1336](#), as amended, which has passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[S 1336](#), as amended, was 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**

[H 972](#), [H 978](#), and [H 974](#), by Appropriations Committee, were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Finance Committee.

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

Reports of Standing Committees

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1336](#), as amended, has been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [S 1336](#), as amended, and ordered it transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

April 2, 2026

The FINANCE Committee reports out [H 972](#), [H 974](#), and [H 978](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GROW, Chairman

[H 972](#), [H 974](#), and [H 978](#) were filed for second reading.

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

Second Reading of Bills

[H 959](#), by Ways and Means Committee, was read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

Motion to Suspend Rules

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate passage of [H 972](#) be suspended; that the portions of Section 15, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho requiring all bills to be read on three several days be dispensed with, this being a case of urgency, and that [H 972](#) be read the second time by title and third time at length, section by section, and be put upon its final passage. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy,

Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended.

[H 972](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Cook 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, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Lakey, Lent, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward. Total - 25.

NAYS—Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Toews, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 8.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 972](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate consideration of [H 974](#) be suspended. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended and announced that [H 974](#) was before the Senate for final consideration.

[H 974](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Wintrow 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, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 974](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate consideration of [H 978](#) be suspended. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended and announced that [H 978](#) was before the Senate for final consideration.

[H 978](#) was read the second time by title and the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Grow arose as sponsor of the bill and opened the debate. The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Lakey, Lent, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Semmelroth, Taylor, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward. Total - 24.

NAYS—Adams, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Shippy, Toews, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 11.

Paired and voting included in roll call:

AYE - Taylor	NAY - Zuiderveld
AYE - Ruchti	NAY - Lenney

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 978](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

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

Third Reading of Bills

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, [H 896](#) was placed before the Senate for consideration at this time.

[H 896](#), having been held, 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—Anthon, Carlson, Den Hartog, Foreman, Harris, Lakey, Okuniewicz, Toews. Total - 8.

NAYS—Adams, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Cook, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Semmelroth, Shippy, Taylor, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 27.

Paired and voting included in roll call:

AYE - Okuniewicz	NAY - Taylor
AYE - Harris	NAY - Ruchti

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared that [H 896](#) had failed to pass the Senate and ordered the bill returned to the House.

Motion to Suspend Rules

Moved by Senator Den Hartog, seconded by Senator Wintrow, that all rules of the Senate interfering with the immediate passage of [H 959](#) be suspended; that the portions of Section 15, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho requiring all bills to be read on three several days be dispensed with, this being a case of urgency, and that [H 959](#) be read the third time at length, section by section, and be put upon its final passage. The question being, "Shall the rules be suspended?"

Roll call resulted as follows:

AYES—Adams, Anthon, Bernt, Bjerke (Bjerke), Blaylock, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

More than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the rules suspended.

[H 959](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Okuniewicz 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, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Galloway, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Keyser, Kohl, Lakey, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Semmelroth, Shippy, Toews, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito, Zuiderveld. Total - 33.

NAYS—None.

Absent and excused—Ruchti, Taylor. Total - 2.

Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 959](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

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

Messages from the House

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [S 1313](#), which has passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[S 1313](#) was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for enrolling.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith Enrolled [H 516](#), as amended in the Senate, [H 973](#), [H 975](#), and [H 976](#) for the signature of the President.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The President signed Enrolled [H 516](#), as amended in the Senate, [H 973](#), [H 975](#), and [H 976](#) and ordered them returned to the House.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith Enrolled [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1447](#), [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#), which have been signed by the Speaker.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

Enrolled [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1447](#), [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for transmittal to the Office of the Governor.

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

Reports of Standing Committees

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1313](#) has been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [S 1313](#) and ordered it transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that Enrolled [S 1356](#), [S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1447](#), [S 1254](#), [S 1444](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1448](#), [S 1454](#), [S 1453](#), and [S 1452](#) were delivered to the Office of the Governor at 5 p.m., April 2, 2026.

LAKEY, Chairman

The report was 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

April 2, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 2, 2026 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following Senate Bills, to wit:

[S 1410](#) and [S 1446](#)

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor of Idaho

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

The Senate advanced to the Ninth Order of Business.

Messages from the House

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith Enrolled [H 972](#), [H 974](#), [H 978](#), and [H 959](#) for the signature of the President.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

The President signed Enrolled [H 972](#), [H 974](#), [H 978](#), and [H 959](#) and ordered them returned to the House.

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith Enrolled [S 1336](#), as amended, and [S 1313](#), which have been signed by the Speaker.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

Enrolled [S 1336](#), as amended, and [S 1313](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for transmittal to the Office of the Governor.

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

Reports of Standing Committees

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the President appointed a committee consisting of Senator Ricks, Chairman, and Senators Nichols and Wintrow to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate had completed its business and was ready to adjourn *Sine Die*. The committee was excused.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the President appointed a committee consisting of Senator VanOrden, Chair, and Senators Galloway and Rabe to notify the Governor that the Senate had completed its business and was ready to adjourn *Sine Die*. The committee was excused.

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the President appointed a committee consisting of Senator Cook, Chairman, and Senator Semmelroth to escort the committee from the House of Representatives into the Senate Chamber. Representatives Vander Woude, McCann, and Galaviz

informed the Senate that the House had completed its business and was ready to adjourn *Sine Die*.

The President thanked and discharged the committee.

The committee appointed to wait upon the House of Representatives returned and reported that it had delivered the Senate's message. The committee conveyed the Speaker's response to the President and the members of the Senate.

The President thanked and discharged the committee.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor returned and reported that it had delivered the Senate's message. The committee conveyed the Governor's response to the President and the members of the Senate.

The President thanked and discharged the committee.

April 2, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that Enrolled [S 1336](#), as amended, and [S 1313](#) were delivered to the Office of the Governor at 6:06 p.m., April 2, 2026.

LAKEY, Chairman

The report was 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 Ninth Order of Business.

Messages from the House

April 2, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith [SCR 128](#), which has passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[SCR 128](#) was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for enrolling.

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 Second Regular Session of the Sixty-eighth Legislature of the Idaho Senate adjourned *Sine Die* at 6:18 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2026.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary

[Note: The following is action recorded after Senate *Sine Die*:]

April 3, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [SCR 128](#) has been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [SCR 128](#) and ordered it transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

April 6, 2026

Dear Mr. President:

I return herewith Enrolled [SCR 128](#), which has been signed by the Speaker.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

Enrolled [SCR 128](#) was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for transmittal to the Office of the Secretary of State.

April 6, 2026

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that Enrolled [SCR 128](#) was delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State at 10:43 a.m., April 6, 2026.

LAKEY, Chairman

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

April 7, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on March 27, 2026 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following Senate Bills, to wit:

[S 1330](#), as amended, and [S 1407](#)

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor of Idaho

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

April 13, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to advise you that I have signed on April 10, 2026 and am transmitting to the Secretary of State the following Senate Bills, to wit:

[S 1254](#), [S 1313](#), [S 1336](#), as amended, [S 1356](#),
[S 1362](#), [S 1408](#), [S 1438](#), [S 1439](#), [S 1447](#),
[S 1448](#), [S 1452](#), [S 1453](#), [S 1454](#), and [S 1444](#)

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor of Idaho

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

April 28, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho Legislature

Dear Mr. President:

Regarding SENATE BILL 1359a, I completed my constitutional obligation for the return of bills following the Legislature's adjournment sine die by filing the same with the Secretary of State on April 8, 2026. To assist with completing the Senate Journal, you are hereby informed that in my filing of SENATE BILL 1359a, I advised the Secretary of State as follows:

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

S 1359a

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 6:46 p.m. on April 1, 2026.

The intent of this legislation is commendable. Virtual currency kiosks have become a preferred tool for scammers targeting Idaho seniors, and protecting our most vulnerable citizens from financial exploitation remains a priority.

However, Senate Bill 1359a contains critical drafting deficiencies that would undermine its own purpose. Some definitions are defined too broadly or left ambiguous, creating uncertainty for regulators and regulated parties alike. Without clearer definitions, consistent and fair enforcement will be difficult to achieve.

I encourage the Legislature and stakeholders to work with the Idaho Department of Finance to revisit this bill with tighter definitions, clear enforcement standards, and a realistic implementation framework. Idaho's seniors deserve a law that works - one that gives regulators the tools they need to stop fraud while giving businesses clear rules to follow.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brad Little
Governor of Idaho

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

CERTIFICATE

State of Idaho)
)
Senate Chamber, Boise, Idaho)

We, SCOTT BEDKE, President of the Senate, and JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify and attest as follows:

That the daily Senate Journal of the proceedings of April 2nd, 2026, the Eighty-first Legislative Day, has been read and approved:

And, said Journal contains a true, complete, and accurate record of all Senate proceedings of said day, including final actions by the Senate and the Governor of the State of Idaho, as statutorily mandated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of April 2026.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary

Note: On April 1, 2026 the Senate report stated that **S 1359**, as amended, was delivered to the Office of the Governor at 6:50 p.m.
