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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 Sydney Newton, 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 February 12, 2024, 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 Anthon, granted by unanimous consent, the Senate advanced to the Sixth Order of Business.

Reports of Standing Committees

February 13, 2024

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [SCR 112](#), [SCR 113](#), [SJM 103](#), [SCR 114](#), [SCR 115](#), [SCR 116](#), [S 1320](#), [S 1321](#), [S 1322](#), [S 1323](#), [S 1324](#), [S 1325](#), [S 1326](#), [S 1327](#), [S 1328](#), [S 1329](#), [S 1330](#), [S 1331](#), [S 1332](#), [S 1333](#), [S 1334](#), [S 1335](#), [S 1336](#), [S 1337](#), [S 1338](#), [S 1339](#), [S 1340](#), [S 1341](#), [S 1342](#), [S 1343](#), [S 1344](#), [S 1345](#), [S 1346](#), [S 1347](#), [S 1348](#), [S 1349](#), [S 1350](#), [S 1351](#), [S 1352](#), [S 1353](#), [S 1354](#), [S 1355](#), [S 1356](#), [S 1357](#), [S 1358](#), [S 1359](#), [S 1360](#), [S 1361](#), and [S 1362](#) have been correctly printed.

LAKEY, Chairman

On request by Senator Lakey, granted by unanimous consent, [SCR 112](#) was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

[SCR 113](#), [SJM 103](#), [SCR 114](#), [SCR 115](#), and [SCR 116](#) were referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

[S 1320](#) and [S 1321](#) were referred to the Transportation Committee.

[S 1322](#) and [S 1323](#) were referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

[S 1324](#), [S 1325](#), [S 1326](#), [S 1327](#), [S 1328](#), and [S 1329](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

[S 1330](#), [S 1331](#), [S 1332](#), [S 1333](#), [S 1334](#), [S 1335](#), and [S 1336](#) were referred to the Finance Committee.

[S 1337](#), [S 1338](#), [S 1339](#), [S 1340](#), [S 1341](#), and [S 1342](#) were referred to the Resources and Environment Committee.

[S 1343](#), [S 1344](#), [S 1345](#), [S 1346](#), [S 1347](#), [S 1348](#), [S 1349](#), and [S 1350](#) were referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

[S 1351](#), [S 1352](#), [S 1353](#), [S 1354](#), and [S 1355](#) were referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[S 1356](#) was referred to the Education Committee.

[S 1357](#) was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

[S 1358](#), [S 1359](#), [S 1360](#), [S 1361](#), and [S 1362](#) were referred to the Education Committee.

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

Messages from the Governor

February 8, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that John D. Hayden Jr. of Boise, Idaho, was reappointed to the State Board of Correction to serve a term commencing January 1, 2023, and expiring January 30, 2029.

This reappointment 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 reappointment was referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

February 9, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Brody Harshbarger of Ashton, Idaho, was appointed to the Idaho Fish and Game Commission to serve a term commencing January 24, 2024, and expiring June 30, 2027.

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 Resources and Environment Committee.

February 12, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Paul Amador of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was appointed to the Public Charter School Commission to serve a term commencing November 7, 2023, and expiring May 12, 2024.

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.

February 12, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that Susan Kerrick of Lewiston, Idaho, was reappointed to the Idaho Lottery Commission to serve a term commencing January 1, 2024, and expiring January 1, 2029.

This reappointment 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 reappointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

February 12, 2024

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you that McKenzie Kraemer of McCall, Idaho, was appointed to the Idaho Health Insurance Exchange Board to serve a term commencing January 7, 2024, and expiring April 10, 2027.

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.

The Senate advanced to the Ninth Order of Business.

Messages from the House

February 12, 2024

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith [H 399](#), [H 445](#), [H 435](#), [H 417](#), and [H 455](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[H 399](#), [H 445](#), [H 435](#), [H 417](#), and [H 455](#) were filed for first reading.

The Senate advanced to the Tenth Order of Business.

Motions and Resolutions

The President announced that the Resources and Environment Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial reappointment of Betty Coppersmith was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Grow, seconded by Senator Ward-Engelking, the Gubernatorial reappointment of Betty Coppersmith as a member of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was confirmed by voice vote.

The President declared the report adopted and directed the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a letter of the Gubernatorial reappointment confirmation for his signature, attested to by the Secretary, to be transmitted to the Governor informing him of the action of the Senate.

The President announced that the Resources and Environment Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Jennifer Reibe was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Semmelroth, the Gubernatorial appointment of Jennifer Reibe as a member of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was confirmed by voice vote.

The President declared the report adopted and directed the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a letter of the Gubernatorial appointment confirmation for his signature, attested to by the Secretary, to be transmitted to the Governor informing him of the action of the Senate.

The President announced that the Resources and Environment Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial reappointment of Jennifer F. Reibe was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Semmelroth, the Gubernatorial reappointment of Jennifer F. Reibe as a member of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was confirmed by voice vote.

The President declared the report adopted and directed the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a letter of the Gubernatorial reappointment confirmation for his signature, attested to by the

Secretary, to be transmitted to the Governor informing him of the action of the Senate.

The President announced that the Resources and Environment Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Marc Haws was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Taylor, the Gubernatorial appointment of Marc Haws as a member of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was confirmed by voice vote.

The President declared the report adopted and directed the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a letter of the Gubernatorial appointment confirmation for his signature, attested to by the Secretary, to be transmitted to the Governor informing him of the action of the Senate.

On request by Senator Anthon, 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 399](#), by Health and Welfare Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[H 445](#), by Revenue and Taxation Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Local Government and Taxation Committee.

[H 435](#), by Health and Welfare Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[H 417](#) and [H 455](#), by State Affairs Committee, were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

The Senate advanced to the Twelfth Order of Business.

Second Reading of Bills

[H 457](#), by Appropriations Committee, was read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

[S 1289](#), by State Affairs Committee, was read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

[H 458](#), [H 459](#), [H 460](#), and [H 475](#), by Appropriations Committee, were read the second time at length and filed for third reading.

[S 1279](#), by Resources and Environment 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 Anthon, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1258](#) and [S 1245](#) retained their place on the Third Reading Calendar for one legislative day.

[H 410](#) was read the third time at length, section by section, and placed before the Senate for final consideration. Senator Just 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, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Foreman, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Hartgen, Herndon, Just, Lakey, Lee, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Schroeder, Semmelroth, Taylor, Toews, Trakel, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Winder, Wintrow, Zuiderveld. Total - 35.

Whereupon the President declared [H 410](#) passed, title was approved, and the bill ordered returned to the House.

On request by Senator Anthon, granted by unanimous consent, [S 1265](#) and [S 1247](#) 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 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, Burtenshaw, Carlson, Cook, Den Hartog, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Hart, Hartgen, Herndon, Just, Lakey, Lee, Lenney, Lent, Nichols, Okuniewicz, Rabe, Ricks, Ruchti, Schroeder, Semmelroth, Taylor, Toews, Trakel, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Winder, Wintrow, Zuiderveld. Total - 34.

NAYS—Foreman. Total - 1.

Total - 35.

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

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

Miscellaneous Business

On motion by Senator Anthon, seconded by Senator Wintrow, by voice vote, the Senate adjourned at 11:49 a.m. until the hour of 11 a.m., Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary