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**TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY**  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024**

Senate Chamber

President Bedke called the Senate to order at 11 a.m.

Roll call showed all members present except Senators Lakey, Ward-Engelking, and Zuiderveld, absent and formally excused by the Chair; and Senator Hart, absent and excused.

Prayer was offered by Senator Burtenshaw.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Abigail Spiers, 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 18, 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

January 19, 2024

The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [S 1237](#) has been correctly printed.

LAKEY, Chairman

[S 1237](#) was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

January 19, 2024

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee reports it has had under consideration the Gubernatorial appointments listed below and the Committee recommends that said appointments be confirmed by the Senate:

David Kim to the Idaho Commission on Human Rights, term to expire July 1, 2026;

Mary Pat Thompson to the Idaho Endowment Fund Investment Board, term to expire April 11, 2027;

Representative Kenny Wroten to the Idaho Endowment Fund Investment Board, term to expire April 11, 2027.

GUTHRIE, Chairman

The Gubernatorial appointments were referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

January 19, 2024

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee reports out [S 1220](#) and [S 1226](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GUTHRIE, Chairman

[S 1220](#) and [S 1226](#) were filed for second reading.

On request by Senator Anthon, granted by unanimous consent, 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 appointment of Mathew Weaver was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Burtenshaw, seconded by Senator Semmelroth, the Gubernatorial appointment of Mathew Weaver as the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources 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 committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Eric Fredericksen retained its place on the calendar for Friday, January 26, 2024.

The President announced that the Judiciary and Rules Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of John Bush was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Wintrow, seconded by Senator Anthon, the Gubernatorial appointment of John Bush as a member of the Idaho Judicial Council 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 Judiciary and Rules Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial reappointment of Liz Chavez was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Ruchti, seconded by Senator Anthon, the Gubernatorial reappointment of Liz Chavez as a member of the Idaho Judicial Council 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 Health and Welfare Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Chad Henggeler was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Wintrow, the Gubernatorial appointment of Chad Henggeler as a member of the State Board of Health and Welfare 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 Education Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of LTC Peter Koehler was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Trakel, seconded by Senator Semmelroth, the Gubernatorial appointment of LTC Peter Koehler as a member of the Public Charter School 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 committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Clayton Steele retained its place on the calendar for one legislative day.

The President announced that the Health and Welfare Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial reappointment of John Sigler was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Ruchti, seconded by Senator Harris, the Gubernatorial reappointment of John Sigler as a member of the Board of Environmental Quality 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 Senate advanced to the Eleventh Order of Business.

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

**S 1238  
BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES  
COMMITTEE  
AN ACT**

RELATING TO WORKER'S COMPENSATION; AMENDING SECTION 72-713, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING NOTICE OF HEARING BY PERSONAL SERVICE OR BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**S 1239  
BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
AN ACT**

RELATING TO SCHOOL BOARDS OF TRUSTEES; AMENDING SECTION 33-510, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A PROVISION REGARDING THE MAJORITY REQUIREMENT FOR A QUORUM AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**S 1240  
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
AN ACT**

RELATING TO MILITARY AND MILITIA; REPEALING SECTION 46-802, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO UNORGANIZED ASSOCIATIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 8, TITLE 46, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 46-802, IDAHO CODE, TO PROHIBIT CITIES AND TOWNS FROM SUPPORTING CERTAIN MILITARY COMPANIES OR ORGANIZATIONS AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**S 1241  
BY NICHOLS  
AN ACT**

RELATING TO THE IDAHO YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS ACT; AMENDING CHAPTER 3, TITLE 50, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 50-307A, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING THE IDAHO YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS ACT; AMENDING SECTION 63-3622K, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN BUSINESSES FROM THE DUTY TO COLLECT AND REMIT SALES TAXES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[S 1238](#), [S 1239](#), [S 1240](#), and [S 1241](#) were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for printing.

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 11:45 a.m. until the hour of 11 a.m., Monday, January 22, 2024.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary