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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025**

Senate Chamber

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

Roll call showed all members present except President Pro Tempore Anthon, absent and excused.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain Doug Armstrong.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brett Poggi, 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 11, 2025, 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

President Pro Tempore Anthon was recorded present at this order of business.

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The JUDICIARY AND RULES Committee reports that [SCR 102](#) has been correctly enrolled.

LAKEY, Chairman

The President signed Enrolled [SCR 102](#) and ordered it transmitted to the House for the signature of the Speaker.

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The COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES Committee reports out [H 55](#) and [S 1056](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

FOREMAN, Chairman

[H 55](#) and [S 1056](#) were filed for second reading.

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The EDUCATION Committee reports out [S 1045](#) with the recommendation that it do pass.

LENT, Chairman

[S 1045](#) was filed for second reading.

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The EDUCATION Committee reports out [S 1007](#) with the recommendation that it be referred to the Fourteenth Order of Business for amendment.

LENT, Chairman

There being no objection, [S 1007](#) was referred to the Fourteenth Order of Business, General Calendar.

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The HEALTH AND WELFARE Committee reports out [S 1031](#) with the recommendation that it be referred to the Fourteenth Order of Business for amendment.

VANORDEN, Chairman

There being no objection, [S 1031](#) was referred to the Fourteenth Order of Business, General Calendar.

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The STATE AFFAIRS Committee reports out [H 32](#) and [HCR 5](#) with the recommendation that they do pass.

GUTHRIE, Chairman

[H 32](#) was filed for second reading.

[HCR 5](#) was referred to the Tenth Order of Business, Motions and Resolutions, and ordered held at the Secretary's desk for one legislative day.

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

Messages from the House

February 11, 2025

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith [H 87](#), [H 53](#), [H 54](#), [H 59](#), and [H 104](#), which have passed the House.

MCGINNIS, Chief Clerk

[H 87](#), [H 53](#), [H 54](#), [H 59](#), and [H 104](#) were filed for first reading.

The Senate advanced to the Tenth Order of Business.

Motions and Resolutions

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Mike Roach retained its place on the calendar for one legislative day.

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

On motion by Senator Ruchti, seconded by Senator Shippy, the Gubernatorial reappointment of Allan Schneider as a member of the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired 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 Commerce and Human Resources Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial appointment of Joshua Whitworth was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Ward-Engelking, seconded by Senator Lakey, the Gubernatorial appointment of Joshua Whitworth as a member of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Board 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 Health and Welfare Committee report relative to the Gubernatorial reappointment of Mark Watkins was before the Senate for final consideration, the question being, "Shall the report be adopted?"

On motion by Senator Ricks, seconded by Senator Den Hartog, the Gubernatorial reappointment of Mark Watkins as a member of the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired 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.

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 1103

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE IDAHO CREDIT UNION ACT; AMENDING SECTION 26-2155, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNIONS TO BE DESIGNATED AS STATE DEPOSITORIES AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[S 1103](#) was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee for printing.

[H 87](#), by Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Judiciary and Rules Committee.

[H 53](#) and [H 54](#), by Commerce and Human Resources Committee, were introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

[H 59](#), by Health and Welfare Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

[H 104](#), by Local Government Committee, was introduced, read the first time at length, and referred to the Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

The Senate advanced to the Twelfth Order of Business.

Second Reading of Bills

[S 1016](#) and [S 1033](#), by Agricultural Affairs Committee, were 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 Okuniewicz, granted by unanimous consent, [SJR 101](#) was referred to the Fourteenth Order of Business, General Calendar.

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

Motions and Resolutions

On request by Senator Den Hartog, granted by unanimous consent, the Senate went at ease and resolved itself into the Committee for the Lincoln Day Service.

Lincoln Day Service

The Lincoln Day Service was presented to the members of the Senate with Co-chair Senator Keyser providing opening remarks. The prayer was offered by Co-chair Senator Shippy.

David Leroy, former Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General of the State of Idaho, offered remarks on President Abraham Lincoln's role in the establishment of the State of Idaho.

The Co-chairs extended their gratitude to all who helped with the program and the Lincoln Day Service was dissolved.

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 11:54 a.m. until the hour of 11 a.m., Thursday, February 13, 2025.

SCOTT BEDKE, President

Attest: JENNIFER NOVAK, Secretary