

is expected to slash the fund by another \$42 million. # Still, many Idaho taxpayers could find themselves writing, not cashing, checks when tax day rolls around. The Idaho Division of Financial Management says monthly individual tax revenues have been lower than expected, which means people likely aren't withholding as much as they need to under the new tax rules. # # THE COMMISSIONER AND THE BABOONS # Idaho Fish and Game Commissioner Blake Fischer resigned at the governor's request in October, just a few days after an outcry began over several photos of an African hunting trip that he emailed to friends and acquaintances. One image showed Fischer posing with a family of baboons he shot during his trip to Namibia, another shows him hoisting the head of a giraffe with his foot on the animal's neck. For many the baboon photo was the most disturbing, with the four dead animals huddled together, the smallest juvenile baboon placed as if sitting in its mother's lap. # Fischer said he didn't do anything illegal or unethical. But he nevertheless apologized in his resignation for poor judgment " in sharing photos of a hunt in which I did not display an appropriate level of sportsmanship and respect for the animals I harvested.