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CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the above is a true, complete and correct statement in accordance with Section 67-6624 Idaho Code.

BILLS TO FOLLOW

57th Idaho Legislature, First Session April 2, 2003

(IACI Po	sition: + Support, - Oppose, M= Monitoring) Shaded Area=Change from Last V	Bold=Final Action on Bill			
	Bill and Description	House	Senate	Final	
H27 (-)	(By Department of Labor) Provides a specific remedy if it can be proven that an employer terminated a worker as a retaliatory action because the worker filed a wage claim dispute.	Withdrawn by Sponsor			
H47 (-)	(By Idaho State Police) To prevent videotaping of people in situations in which they have a reasonable expectation of privacy.	Withdrawn by Sponsor			
H70 (+)	(By Idaho Department of Labor) Freezes Unemployment Insurance tax rate at current 2002 level for calendar years 2003-2004.	Passed 67-3	Passed 33-0	LAW	
H83 (+)	(By Department of Lands) Allows the State Land Board to extend the current 10-year lease for the Tamarack Resort project to a longer-term 49-year lease necessary for economic success of the project and for maximum return to the State Endowment Fund.	Passed 66-0	3 rd Reading		
H92 (+)	(By Idaho Liability Reform Coalition) Tort reform bill would: (A) Cap non-economic damages at \$250,000, with inflation index; (B) Cap punitive damages at the greater of \$250,000 or three times the compensatory damages award; (C) Reduce bond required to be filed for appealing a damage verdict; and (D) Repeal the last minor elements of Joint & Several Liability.	Passed 58-12	Passed 27-8	LAW	
H121 (-)	(By Rep. Trail) Public School and Higher Education Plant Facilities Act of 2003; For 10-year period, would devote sales & use tax collections from sale or purchase of natural gas, electricity and water, or on the sale or purchase of any matter used to produce heat by domestic home use, including wood, coal, petroleum and gas, to the use of the school and university plant facilities; of funds collected, \$55 million would go to the School Plant Facilities Fund, with the remainder put into the Permanent Building Fund.	Withdrawn by Sponsor			
H126 (M)	(By Rep. Clark) Caps property tax relief to school districts at \$69 million annually, regardless of future valuation escalation.	Held in Revenue & Taxation			
H148 (-)	(By Idaho Association of Counties) Reduces the time frame for filing property tax appeals by one week, allowing county boards of equalization more time to conclude their duties.	Held in Revenue & Taxation			
H150a (+)	(By IACI) The IACI-sponsored bill requires DEQ to utilize the best available science and apply well-established risk assessment methods when they propose rules and standards. The language in the bill comes directly from the Federal Clean Drinking Water Act of 1996 (Chief sponsor was then Sen. Dirk Kempthorne). The bill requires that DEQ, if they want rules more stringent than federal law, must use the same scientific methods that EPA is required to use.	Passed as amended in Senate 70-0	Passed 32-0 as Amended in Senate	To Gov.	
H159 (-)	(By Department of Agriculture) (REPLACED BY H298) Provides for development of rules to support marketing of Idaho agricultural products.	Agricultural Affairs			
H172 (-)	(By Sen. Kennedy, Rep. Cuddy) Provides annual cost-of-living adjustment on \$50,000 upper limit of homeowner property tax exemption, which has never been adjusted for inflation since implementation in 1973.	Held in Revenue & Taxation			

H186 (+)	(By Rep. Clark) To provide for adjustment of the final distribution of moneys to school districts from the education support program, based upon the actual number of total support units; and to create a fund to provide stabilization of the amount of support per unit.	Passed 62-4	Education	
H187 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Repeals existing law allowing one-time early retirement incentive payment for public school district employees.	Failed 30-38		
H192 (-)	(By Sen. Goedde) Creates Resort County Local Option Tax Authority.	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
H194a (+)	(By State Tax Commission) Conforms Idaho tax codes to IRS codes, including (A) new federal "bonus depreciation," and (B) Expenses of elementary and secondary teachers for buying classroom supplies allowable under IRS code.	House Refused to Concur in Senate Amendments – to Revenue & Taxation	Passed As Amended 26-8	
H196 (-)	(By Rep. Clark) Prohibits expenditure of public monies by political subdivisions of the State of Idaho to support or oppose ballot measures or candidates; and to provide penalties.	Ways & Means		
H197 (-)	(By Rep. Deal) Establishes deposit fee and 5¢ refund value on beverage containers made of glass, metal, PET, and HDPE, containing 64 ounces or less.	Held in Environmental Affairs		
H207 (-)	(By Sen. Kennedy, Rep. Cuddy) Protects homeowners over 65 years of age or disabled veterans from increase property taxes resulting from increasing taxable value; frozen tax rates continue as long as qualifying homeowner lives in the home.	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
H226 (M)	(By Idaho Farm Bureau) Clarifies that law of trespass is not intended to extend to certain agricultural activities, including agricultural field burning.	Agricultural Affairs		
H227 (M)	(By Idaho Farm Bureau) Eliminates private lawsuits for injunctions or damages against farmers who burn crop residue in accordance with accepted and common-sense practices and rules.	Agricultural Affairs		
H228 (M)	(By Rep. Meyer) Provides that rules promulgated by Department of Environmental Quality relating to opacity standards shall not apply to crop residue burning.	Passed 58-11	Passed 29-5	110 110 110 110
H245 (M)	(By Rep. Clark) Applies Sunshine Act campaign finance reporting law to all political subdivisions in the state, but does not grant authority to these entities to carry on lobbying or political campaigning.	Held in State Affairs		
H249 (-)	(By Sen. Keough) Requires that homeowner live in Idaho 2 years before receiving 50-50 homeowner's exemption.	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
H251 (-)	(By Reps. Trail & Bieter) "Idaho Judicial Independence Act" – provides voluntary system of public financing for Idaho Supreme Court and Court of Appeals candidates; to qualify, candidates must collect 2000 contributions of \$5 apiece and agree not to spend additional private money, then they are given a set amount of funds from the Judicial Independence Act Trust Fund.	Held in Judiciary & Rules		
H255a (+)	(By Rep. Tilman) Clarifies that property used for Charter School purposes is exempt from taxation.	Passed 69-0	Passed as amended 33-0	Ro Gow
H256a (+)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Establishes a consistent review process to enable governments to better evaluate whether proposed actions may result in a taking of private property without due process.	Passed 55-14	Passed 26-7	LAW

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H257 (+)	(By Speaker Newcomb) Provides that various local land - use planning actions may be subject to regulatory taking analysis; provides that every final decision concerning a site-specific land use request may be subject to a regulatory takings analysis.	Passed 51-19	Passed 25-8	LÂW
H262 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Repeals the requirement that school boards pay teachers while they are engaged in teacher association activities.	Failed 35-35; Held for Reconsideration – Passed 36-33	Education	
H271 (+)	(By Rep. Tilman) Appeal process for local school board denial of Charter School application.	Passed 57-12	Education	
H273 (+)	(By Mark Benson) Limits liability to a landowner who allows the public to recreate on land covered by a conservation easement.	Passed 64-1	Passed 32-0	Gove
H274 (-)	(By Rep. Barrett) "Involuntary annexations" – Requires that if 20% of residents in an area targeted for annexation object to a proposed annexation, the city must hold an election on that question; only persons living in the area affected by the annexation would be allowed to vote; also provides for annexation of railroad right-of-way property.	Held in Local Government		
H275 (-)	(By Rep. Wood) (REPLACED BY H375) Sets a procedure for County Commissioners to determine the status of right-of-way established in 1866.	Returned to Transportation		
H283a (M)	(By Rep. Stevenson) Mandates counties to enact CAFO siting ordinances.	Passed 66-3	dwiReading	
H284 (+)	(By Rep. Stevenson) Affirms proper agency jurisdiction for the Department of Water Resources' "Local Public Interest" responsibilities.	Passed 53-15	reResources.	
H285 (M)	(By Rep. Tilman) Requires school board trustees in the same county to work jointly to employ a County Superintendent for all school districts in the county.	Education		
H286 (M)	(By Rep. Tilman) Requires consolidation of small, inefficient school districts to save money and provide greater academic opportunities for students through pooling of resources; would reduce number of school districts from 114 to 75, based on 2000 U.S. Census.	Education		
H287a (M)	(By Rep. Tilman) Defines calculation of school district administrative staff allowance to reduce the factor by which support units are multiplied to determine the administrative staff allowance.	Passed 65-0	Education	
H293 (M)	(By Sen. Cameron, Rep. Bell) 2% across-the-board FY03 budget cut: Reduces FY03 general fund budget by \$58,834,800; results in FY03 reduction of 2 % for Public Schools and Higher Education, 3.9% reduction for Department of Health & Welfare, and a 5.5% reduction for all other agencies — including the Legislature, the Judiciary and all elected officials.	Passed 39-30	Failed 14- 21	
H302 (+)	(By Reps. Raybould, Moyle, Deal, Eskridge, D. Field and Crow) Puts burden of proof in property tax appeals on the party seeking affirmative relief; Standard of proof is preponderance of evidence.	Passed 44-21	Passed 28-5	Lo: Gov.
H310 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Provides for unified purchase of school buses by State Division of Purchasing; provides that state's share of transportation support program for bus purchases shall be 85% of the cost of a basic bus.	Held in Education		
H315 (M)	(By Reps. Newcomb, Denney, Moyle & Ellsworth, and Sens. Geddes, Davis, Stegner, & Little) Limits use of public funds for political purposes; provides that children may not be used as couriers of information designed to influence members of the	State Affairs		

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	general public; establishes personal liability for government officials improperly spending public funds for campaign purposes.			
H317 (+)	(By Reps. Newcomb, Denney, Moyle & Ellsworth) Allows companies that are losing money to forego earned investment tax credits to gain two-year exemption from personal property taxes; has emergency clause.	Passed 54-16	3 th Reading.	
H318 (+)	(By Rep. Lake) Two-year phase-out of early retirement incentive program for all certificated Idaho school district employees (teachers, administrative and supervisory staff).	Failed 32-36	And the second s	
H329 (M)	(By Reps. Newcomb, Denney, Moyle, Ellsworth & Lake, and Sens. Geddes, Davis, Stegner & Little) Requires labor organizations engaging in political activities to keep a segregated fund for contributions; specifies that contributions to the fund must be voluntary and be made directly by the donor; prohibits payroll withholding of funds to be used for political purposes.	Passed 40-29	Passed 19- 16	LAW
H375 (-)	(By Rep. Wood) (REPLACES H275) Sets a procedure for County Commissioners to determine the status of right-of-way established in U.S. Mining Act of 1866.	Returned to		
H376 (+)	(By Sen. Cameron, Roy Eiguren, Kate Vanden Broek) Creates Health Insurance Access Card to provide support for purchase of commercial insurance (employer-sponsored or individual plans) for children of families eligible for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP); also includes a new adult component.	Passed 53-17	Commerce Collingual Resources	
H378 (M)	(By Gov. Kempthorne) Raises cigarette tax from 28 to 62 cents per pack, effective June 1, 2003, to produce \$28.7 million in revenue for FY04; effective date June 1, 2003.	Roveinne & Jeax-Horn Spacephagnage		
H379 (M)	(By Gov. Kempthorne) Raises sales tax from 5% to 6.5%, effective May 1, 2003, with 3-year sunset; produces \$18.4 million to help balance FY03 budget and \$240.3 million in FY04	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
H380 (M)	(By Reps. Mitchell, Bieter) Specifies that the Director of the Department of Insurance is to receive, review and approve any insurance company rate increase requests before they take effect, and that the Director shall notify public of any insurance rate increase applications.	Held in Business		
H383 (M)	(By Rep. Sharon Block, Con Paulo, Bill Kyle, Walt Sinclair) Modifies contractual arrangements between franchisees and franchisors, so Idaho franchisees have to opportunity to litigate their disputes in Idaho courts	Passed 68-1	Commerce A Hernank Resaulresa	
H390 (-)	(By State Tax Commission) Conforms Idaho tax codes to IRS codes, except (A) New federal "bonus depreciation," and (B) Expenses of elementary and secondary teachers for buying classroom supplies allowable under IRS code.	Revenue & Taxation		
H391 (M)	(By Rep. Jones) Amends Smoke Management and Crop Residue Disposal Act of 1999 by expanding the program from Kootenai and Benewah counties to all 10 counties in northern Idaho; shifts enforcement from Department of Environmental Quality to Department of Agriculture	Agricultural Affairs		
	(By Reps. Deal. Meyer, Gagner). Authorizes State Buildings. Authority to bond for buildings on community college campuses, subject to legislative approval, when the community college has entered an agreement with the State Building Authority establishing that the project will be of public use and will provide a public benefit, specifically will allow bonding for Fine Arts addition at College of Southern Idaho (\$5:402:000), and Nursing/Life Science, Building at North Idaho College (\$10:994.000).	a "State Affairs		

H397	(By Reps. Deal, Meyer, Gagner) Specifies that after June 30, 2003.			
出。	Legislature shall not authorize issuance of additional bonded indebtedness from the State Permanent Building Fund beyond that approved by the Legislature <i>prior</i> to June 30, 2003.	State Affairs		
HCR11 (M)	(By Rep. Trail) Authorizes appointment of a bipartisan committee, made up of both legislators and non-legislators, to analyze Idaho's sales tax, individual and corporate income tax, and property tax structures, including sales tax exemptions, income tax credits/deductions, and property tax exemptions.	Held in Revenue & Taxation		
HCR14 (-)	(By Rep. Naccarato) Resolution to support and promote use of Idaho workers to BUILD IDAHO and to pay Idaho workers a living wage.	Held in Commerce & Human Resources		
HCR16 (M)	(By Legislative Services) Rejects certain DEQ sewage disposal rules; if adopted by both houses, rules will not take effect.	Passed 62-5	Adopted on Voice Vote	
HCR20 (M)	(By Rep. Trail, Sen. Davis) Would create interim committee to study election of judges and financing of judicial campaigns.	Withdrawn by sponsors		
HCR22 (M)	(By Legislative Services) Rejects pending DEQ rules dealing with underground storage tanks and leaking petroleum storage tanks; if adopted by both houses, rules will not take effect.	Passed 61-4	Resources & Environment	
HCR27 (M)	(By Reps. Newcomb, Jaquet) Would create interim committee to study judicial election process, including financing and method of selection.	Passed 45-25	State Affairs	
(NO NE	(By Reps: Deal, Meyer, Gagner, Miller, Ring, Garrett, Wills, Campbell, Shirley, Edmunson: Black, Bolz, Soodgrass, Smylle, and Sens. Bayls, Slegger, Sorensen, Eddge singram, Schroeder, Andreason, Benderson, Compton: Goedde) statinorizes Department of Administration, and following entities for enter, into agreement synthe State Building Authorn/Tolbond Process function of eight coastruction projects. Lewis Clark State College. Classicoma and Campbus Activity, Center, \$10,868 pool scollege of Southern, Idaho. Lines Arts addition: \$5,402 clos. Conversity of Idaho. Feaching: Jano's Learning. Genter: \$11,729,000; Boise. State University. Liveste Campbis Building: \$12,147,000. North. Idaho. State University. Classrooms Building: \$12,147,000. North. Idaho. College. Nursing/Erie: Science: Building: \$10,994,000. Idaho: State University. Classrooms Building: \$10,994,000. Idaho: State Patrol. Spaining: Academy/L\$2,286,000. East Idaho: Technical College. Health Education Building: \$6,360,000. IMBER: YET) (By Speaker, Newcomb): Requires quarterly, payment of income taxes by businesses: effective Jan: 1,200/4, meaning two-payments, produce: estimated; \$80,200 lifer cases cigarette: taxistromo payments. produce: estimated; \$80,200 lifer cases an estimated \$53, pullion in FY04.	Sent Directly to Floor Without Recommendation		
	MBER YET) (By Speaker Newcomb) Raises sales tax by one-half- centro 5.5%, effective July 2, 2003, to produce estimated \$80 millions for EY04:	Sent Directly to		
S1086 (-)	(By AFL-CIO & Sen. Marley) To ensure Idaho laborers on public works projects receive the prevailing wage.		Held in Commerce & Human Resources	

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S1087 (+)	(By IACI) Disability Income Replacement - adjusts how these benefits are paid once a worker is eligible for Social Security benefits.		Withdrawn by Sponsor	
S1090a (-)	(By Sens. Compton & Marley) Allows any county to create Port Authority for economic development; authorizes levying of property tax to support Port Authority.	Revenue & u Faxation	Passed 26-7 as amended in Senate	
S1123 (M)	(By Sen. Ingram, Roy Eiguren) Provides that a Regional Public Transportation Authority is a political subdivision of the state, clarifying that it is a governmental agency for the purposes of tort liability.	Passed 61-6	Passed 35-0	To Gov.
S1129 (+)	(By Sen. Goedde) Caps state reimbursement for public school transportation funding at 103% of the state average reimbursable cost per mile or student, whichever is more favorable to the district.		Held in Education	
S1131 (-)	(By Sen. Pearce) Self-funded benefit plans administered by municipality not required to register with Department of Insurance.		Withdrawn by Sponsor	
S1143 (M)	(By Sen. Cameron, Rep. Bell) Reduces FY03 budget by 5% for most state agencies, 4% for Corrections, 3.1% for Higher Education, 2% for Health & Welfare, and 1% for Public Education; Total reduction of \$43,083,100, or 2.2%, leaves FY03 budget at \$1,924,812,300.	Passed 44-26	Passed-19- 16	VETO
S1163 (M)	(By Sen. Burkett, Breck Seiniger) Requires Idaho employers to inform minor employees and their parents/guardians when the employer has knowledge that they have employed a sex offender.	_	Judiciary & Rules	
(M)	(By Sen. Goedde) To provide school board mustee participation, and on charter school boards, methods of enrollment selection and propagationary periods prior to charter revocation.		r Passeda 12.16	
S1172 (+)	(By Sen. Sorensen) Prohibits political contributions by lobbying entities to incumbents or candidates for statewide or legislative office during legislative sessions.		Amendings Sporder:	
	I (By Sens Schroeder and Goedde and Darrel Deide) Proposed constitutional amendment authorizing passage of school bond elections with a 60% majority if the election is held one factor mary or general election dates; in school bond elections held on other dates, the two-thirds majority would still be required for passages.		22 rd Readings	
SCR10 (M)	5 (By Sen. Ingram) Authorizes Legislative Council to appoint interim study committee to completely study Idaho public transportation systems and their funding methods, reporting findings to 2004 Legislature.	Ways & Means	Passed 32-0	Parties And Bridge