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BILL #	BILL TITLE	STATUS	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	UPDATE	POSITION
58-0101-1602	Rule for Control of Air Pollution in Idaho	ADOPTED	Environment	Deletes Sec. 582. Section was temporary for non-attainment issue in Ada County in the 90s. Now out of date and no longer applies because DEQ has approved maintenance plan since 2003.	Completed	Monitor
58-0101-1603	Clean Air Act - Rule Update incorporated by reference	ADOPTED	Environment	46 revisions/changes. Highlighted: The national ambient air quality standard for ozone, reduced from 75 to 70 parts per billion; and, updates to DEQ's permit program. Power plants – EPA promulgated two rules to control carbon dioxide emission from power plants, for new facilities and existing facilities. Phosphate fertilizer plants – new requirements for monitoring mercury and floride, record keeping and updates to emission requirements for certain processes within the facilities. Oil and natural gas wells will now have methane as a regulated pollutant.	Completed	Monitor
39-0312-1601	Safety Requiriements of Overlegal Permits	ADOPTED	Transportation	Rule identifies a requirement for owner inspections in compliance with 49 CFR 396.17 and 396.19. Drivers are to meet all special training requirements for longer combination vehicles. Additionally, brakes shall meet the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations and shall be maintained to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards No. 121 in effect at the time the commercial motor vehicle was manufactured. No vehicle or vehicle combinations shall operate with mixed brake systems between tractor and trailers. Previously this only referenced interstate travel, with this rule it will additionally reference intrastate travel to promote highway safety.	Completed	Monitor
39-0315-1601	Excess Weight Permits for Reucible Loads (129K trucks)	ADOPTED	Transportation	Addresses truck permitting and 129,000 pound commercial motor vehicles (129K trucks) on the state's Interstate system due to passage of SB1229 (2016). The rule proposes to establish a statewide permitting system. Currently the permit system operates under an ad hoc style with 228 jurisdictions. The ITD has thought about a statewide permitting system for a while and believes it would promote intrastate surface transportation safety, intermodal commerce, law enforcement efficiencies and reduced administrative costs to local highway jurisdictions. Commercial vehicle combinations in excess of eighty thousand (80,000) pounds will be permitted by the ITD's Division of Motor Vehicles on local highways when a local highway jurisdiction authority has agreed to participate in the Department's permitting process.	Completed	Monitor

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39-0322-1601	Overlegal Permits	ADOPTED	Transportation	Address commercial motor vehicle brakes. Specifically, that the brakes on all commercial motor vehicles must meet and be maintained to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards No. 121 in effect at the time the commercial motor vehicle was manufactured. Essentially, no vehicle or vehicle combinations shall operate with mixed brake systems between tractor and trailers. In addition black coded routes will be indicated as so on interstates for industry.	Completed	Monitor
39-0323-1601	Revocation of Overlegal Permits	ADOPTED	Transportation	Addresses a new instance in which a permit can be revoked. Specifically, revocation of a permit for non-compliance if the motor carrier has violated an Out-of-Service order by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). These are for more extreme cases, when a driver is avoiding requirements and has a serious historical record of doing so. This would not be implemented on drivers with a more minor violation such as a broken tail light.	Completed	Monitor
11-1301-1603	Motor Carrier - Electronic Logging Device	ADOPTED	Transportation	With some exceptions all motor carriers and drivers, who are currently required to complete paper logs to document record of duty status (RODS) to comply with 49 CFR 395, will be required to use ELD's (Electronic Logging Devices) no later than December 18, 2017. However, the final federal rule exempts several sectors: Drivers who use paper RODS for not more that 8 days during any 30 day period; Drivers who conduct driveaway-towaway operations, where the vehicle being driven is the commodity being delivered; Drivers of vehicles manufactured before model year 2000. These exempted drivers must still document RODS using either paper logs or ELD's. Idaho is required to adopt this regulation by reference to maintain compliance with Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and remain eligible for grant and highway funds.	Senate Transportation Approved 1/19. <u>2/10 - House Transportation REJECTS RULE. HCR24 to reject rule passes House. On 3/14 it fails in Senate Transport. Rule is therefore adopted.</u>	Monitor
HR1	Idaho Admin Procedure Act	LAW	BOD and Rules	The purpose of this legislation is to amend the Administrative Procedures Act to reflect the language in HJR5 defining the term "in whole or in part." Adding an emergency clause.	Signed by Governor on 2/14.	Support
HB52	Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Commission	LAW	Energy	This legislation would ratify, approve and adopt the Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas, and allow Idaho to become a full member of the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission. Idaho is currently an Associate Member, which does not allow full participation and voting. Full membership will allow Idaho to weigh in on national oil and gas issues that affect the state's ability to administer the oil and gas conservation programs.	Signed by Governor on 3/20.	Monitor

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HB54	SOS fees for businesses	LAW	General Business	This amendment corrects oversights that were included in the 2015 enactment of the Idaho Uniform Business Organizations Code. These corrections include clarifying fee names, including missed fees, and removing fees that we are no longer charged.	Signed by Governor on 2/22.	Monitor
HB61	Employers and non-complete clauses	DONE	General Business	Removes the requirement of "presumption of irreparable harm" for breach of a non-compete agreement. This leaves these agreements to be applied and enforced by courts as other contracts are. It also removes the requirement that the presumption of key employee status can only be rebutted by a showing that an employee has no ability to adversely affect an employer's business, thereby allowing employees additional options as to how they may rebut such presumption.	No Action is expected	Monitor
HB67aa	Eliminate Sales Tax on Groceries Income Tax Relief	TO GOV	Taxes	Amendment text not yet available online. Exempts individual income tax for the first \$750. It moves the the individual and corporate tax rates from 7.4% to 7.2%. There is an emergency clause to make retroactive for 2017.	On 3/27 the House Concurred. To the Governor on 3/31.	Monitor Support
HB68	Personal Property Tax Exemption Expansion	DONE	Taxes	Increases the Personal Property Tax exemption from the current \$100,000 in property valuation to \$250,000.	DONE - SEE HB117	Support
HB71	Human Rights Employer Acts Prohibited	DONE	General Business	This bill would preclude employers from asking job applicants about salary history. For workers who are affected by a wage gap, these factors can create a ripple effect throughout the course of their careers. If a woman is underpaid at one job, the effects of that experience can stay with her as she applies for future positions if employers consider it when determining a future salary.	No Action is expected	Monitor
HB72	Minimum Wage	DONE	General Business	Increases the minimum wage from the current federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour to \$8.75 per hour on July 1, 2017, and to \$10.50 on July 1, 2018, and \$12.00 per hour on July 1, 2019. Wages for tipped employees will increase from \$3.35 per hour to \$4.35 per hour for employment commencing July 1, 2017, \$5.85 per hour for employment commencing on July 1, 2018, and \$7.35 per hour for employment commencing July 1, 2019.	No Action is expected	Oppose

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HB76	Immigration	DONE	General Business	Requires / mandates local law enforcement to to comply with and uphold immigration law and policy regarding immigration enforcement without providing funding source to expand efforts. Similar to prior Idaho immigration bills, this would address only one component of the illegal immigraion issue, does NOT address ag jobs, and would allow/encourage racial profiling.	DONE - See HB198	Oppose
HB97	Attorney's Fees	LAW	Legal	This bill amends section 12-121, Idaho Code, regarding the award of attorney fees in civil cases and addressed an Idaho Supreme Court decision from 2016 issued in the case of Hoffer v. Shappard. Essentially, the bill returns the law of attorney's fees back to what it has been for nearly 40 years - awarding - attorney fees when cases are brought, pursued or defended frivolously, unreasonably, or without foundation - and places it in statute. The language is taken from the former court rule (Rule 54) that the court threw out with the Hoffer decision.	Sent to the Governor on 2/28. Signed by Governor on 3/1.	Support
HB117	Personal Property Tax Exemption Expansion	DONE	Taxes	Increases the Personal Property Tax exemption from the current \$100,000 in property valuation to \$250,000. (Corrects technical error in HB68)	No hearing.	Support
HB135a	Farm Equipment Agreements	DONE	General Business	The purpose of this legislation is to provide clarification of the original legislative intent of the Idaho Equipment Dealer Protection Statute by prohibiting suppliers from substantially changing the dealer's competitive circumstances without good cause. This legislation also adds clarity to ensure that persons interpreting this statute understand that the terms of a dealer agreement may not impact the determination of whether there has been a substantial change in the dealer's competitive circumstances.	Senate Commerce didn't hear the bill.	Monitor
HB140	State Water Plan	LAW	Water	This amendment to Idaho Code §42-1743B would direct the Idaho Board to Water Resources to notify each member of the legislature of any changes to the comprehensive state water plan. This amendment will ensure that any change to the state water plan is known by all legislators and the process remains transparent.	Signed by the Governor on 3/24.	Monitor

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HB155	Sales and Use Tax Nexus	DONE	Taxes	This amendment to Title 63, Chapter 36, Idaho Code expands the section 63-3611 by adding a new term that further defines the term retailer. The bill establishes that a retailer, selling tangible personal property to Idaho customers, is engaged in business in Idaho when the out-of-state retailer generates sales of \$10,000 or more through affiliated Idaho persons. It also provides a rebuttable presumption for the retailer. The rebuttable presumption will allow a retailer, so identified, to apply for relief by presenting their rebuttable facts to the Tax Commission.	No Action is expected	Monitor
HB157	Highway Distribution Acct. Remove ISP	DONE	Transportation	The purpose of this legislation is to transition Idaho State Police's funding component that they receive from gas tax to the General Fund. By transitioning these funds from a dedicated source to the General Fund, the Idaho State Police will be unencumbered in how they choose to allocate all of their funds.	Failed in House on 2/21, vote was 33-37-0.	Monitor
HB158	Transportation Funding	DONE	Transportation	The purpose of this legislation is to extend the sunset of IC §40-719, the Strategic Initiatives Program, to sunset in 2019 (2 years). This legislation also directs that the monies in the Strategic Initiatives Program shall be split sixty percent (60%) to the Idaho Transportation Department for the purposes of operating a Strategic Initiatives Program and forty percent (40%) to be distributed to local jurisdictions according to §40-719 (C)(i) of this section.	No Action is expected	Monitor
HB159	Budget Stabilization Fund for Transport.	DONE	Transportation	This legislation extends the sunset date two years on the section of law authorizing the transfer from the General Fund to the Strategic Initiatives Program Fund. Known as the surplus eliminator of the General Fund as defined by the State Controller at the end of FY 2017 and FY 2018.	No Action is expected	Support

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HB169	Constitutional Defense Council Hells Canyon Complex	LAW	Energy and Environment	Idaho Power Company's Hells Canyon Project is in the process of relicensing by the Federal Regulatory Commission. The State of Oregon has attempted to require Idaho Power Company to implement fish passage and reintroduction of anadromous fish above Hells Canyon Project in Idaho waters. Reintroduction into Idaho waters without consent of the State of Idaho violates Idaho law, policy, and the sovereignty of the State of Idaho. This bill amends Idaho Code 67-6302 to require legislative approval of any effort to introduce or reintroduce species in the State by any agency or entity, State, Federal, or however constituted.	Signed by the Governor on 3/24.	Support
HB170	Fish and Water Resources	LAW	Energy and Environment	Idaho Power Company's Hells Canyon Project is in the process of relicensing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The State of Oregon has attempted to require Idaho Power Company to implement fish passage and reintroduction of anadromous fish above the Hells Canyon Project in Idaho waters. Reintroduction into Idaho waters without consent of the State of Idaho violates Idaho law, policy, and the sovereignty of the State of Idaho. This bill amends Idaho Code 67-818(5) to clarify Idaho law to make it clear that introduction or reintroduction of any aquatic or terrestrial species requires approval of the State, and that the policy is not limited to listed species.	Signed by the Governor on 3/24.	Support
HB171	Fishways - Hells Canyon	LAW	Energy and Environment	Idaho Power Company's Hells Canyon Project is in the process of relicensing by the Federal Regulatory Commission. The State of Oregon has attempted to require Idaho Power Company to implement fish passage and reintroduction of anadromous fish above Hells Canyon Project in Idaho waters. Reintroduction into Idaho waters without consent of the State of Idaho violates Idaho law, policy, and the sovereignty of the State of Idaho. This bill amends Idaho Code 36-906 to make it consistent with the Idaho policy and law that fishways are not to be required at the Hells Canyon Hydroelectric Project.	Signed by the Governor on 3/24.	Support

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HB192	Property Tax Exemptionss	DONE	Taxes	County commissioners have suggested that the limited scope of the property tax exemption - namely, that it requires \$3 million in capital investment and can be used only to support manufacturing projects - has been a limiting factor in supporting businesses that would have provided a boost to the local economy. This legislation enhances the project eligibility beyond manufacturing and creates a lower threshold for capital investment of not less than \$500,000. County commissioners would retain sole discretion on whether to extend this exemption to an eligible project and would have the ability to anually establish a higher threshold. They would also be required to notify local taxing districts when considering a property tax exemption.	On 2/28 returned to committee. SEE HB235	Support
HB198	Immigration	DONE	Workforce	Prohibits cities and counties from obstructing federal immigration enforcement or adopting a policy of refusing to notify federal authorities when a person with an immigration warrant or detainer is in their custody. Unfunded mandate for local government. Fails to address other aspects of immigration reform.	No action expected.	Oppose
HB211	Invasive Species	LAW	Environment	This act amends Idaho code 67-7008A increasing the invasive species sticker fee for non-residents from twenty-two dollars (\$22) to thirty dollars (\$30). as Idaho becomes more popular for tourist, we must ensure that we are able to maintain and increase our efforts in protecting our great state from invasive species. This is a critical recommendation from the invasive species working group.	Signed by the Governor on 3/27.	Support
HB235	Property Tax Exemptionss	TO GOV	Taxes	County commissioners have suggested that the limited scope of the property tax exemption - namely, that it requires \$3 million in capital investment and can be used only to support manufacturing projects - has been a limiting factor in supporting businesses that would have provided a boost to the local economy. This legislation enhances the project eligibility beyond manufacturing and creates a lower threshold for capital investment of not less than \$500,000. County commissioners retain sole discretion on whether to extend this exemption to an eligible project and could anually establish a higher threshold. They would also be required to notify local taxing districts when considering a property tax exemption. (Technical corrections to HB192)	Sent to the Governor on 3/24.	Support

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HB249	Wage Claims	DONE	General Business	This act revises provisions regarding limitations on actions for collection of wages, penalties and damages. The revision extends the period of time provided for claims to match federal law, by removing the six (6) month time period that individuals must file a claim within and decreasing the amount of damages to two (2) times the unpaid wages found due and owing.	No Action is expected	Monitor
HB256	Invasive Species	DONE	Environment	This bill amends the Idaho Invasive Species Act by establishing in the Office of the Governor, an administrator of invasive species policy and codifies the Idaho Invasive Species Council. This legislation sets up the duties of the administrator and the Department of Agriculture and lays out the coordination efforts between state agencies.	DONE - SEE HB274	Monitor
HB268	Transport - New Routes Safety	DONE	Transportation	When a local entity chooses to evaluate whether to allow vehicles weighing up to 129,000 pounds on a particular route, the authority of when and how this decision is made is left up to that local jurisdiction. This proposal makes a one-word change that clarifies the local control to highway jurisdictions by neither prohibiting nor requiring multiple feasibility studies.	No hearing in House Transportation.	Support
HB274a	Invasive Species	TO ENROLL	Environment	This bill amends the Idaho Invasive Species Act by establishing in the Office of the Governor, an administrator of invasive species policy and codifies the Idaho Invasive Species Council. This legislation sets up the duties of the administrator and the Department of Agriculture and lays out the coordination efforts between state agencies.	On 3/24 House concurred with Senate amendments. On 3/27 House passed final amended version 70-00.	Monitor
HB292	Water	DONE	Water	This legislation would create three exceptions to the mandatory permit requirement for three temporary uses of water. The first exception would authorize the director to allow the diversion of water to prevent flood damage. The second exception would authorize the director to use unanticipated high flows for the purpose of ground water recharge. The third exception would allow the director to authorize the use of water in response to state or federal health and safety requirements. Such uses shall not constitute a water right and shall be of less than one year duration.	On 3/20 House Resources sent to floor with do pass recommendation. On 3/21 House UC to send to General Orders. SEE HB319	Monitor

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H319	Water	LAW	Water	This legislation would create three exceptions to the mandatory permit requirement for three temporary uses of water. The first exception would authorize the director to allow the diversion of water to prevent flood damage. The second exception would authorize the director to allow the use of unanticipated high flows for the purpose of ground water recharge. The third exception would allow the director to authorize the use of water in response to state or federal health and safety requirements. Such uses shall not constitute a water right and shall be of less than one year duration.	Signed by the Governor on 3/30.	Support
HCR17	Legal Immigrants Contributions Recognized	ADOPTED	Workforce	Recognizing and supporting the important history and ongoing contributions of immigrants towards the building of the United States and Idaho.	ADOPTED	Monitor
HCR24	ELD Rule Rejection	FAILED	Transportation	This is a Concurrent Resolution to reject the entire pending rule found in Docket No. 11-1301-1603 from the Idaho State Police, Motor Carrier Rules pertaining to requiring Electronic Logging Devices (ELD). This rule was approved by the Senate Transportation Committee on January 19, 2017.	On 3/14 fails in Senate Transport. ELD Rule is therefore adopted.	Monitor
HJM001	Agriculture	DONE	Production AG	To ensure that our domestic farmers, ranchers and food processor are able to compete in a fair and level market environment, and the food security measures required by law are equally applied to all food products allowed to be sold in markets in Idaho and nationally; And to enhance the knowledge of the general population regarding the importance of these measures, not only for the economic strength of Idaho and our nation, but also to the health and welfare of individual families.	SEE HJM006	Oppose

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HJM002	Hells Canyon Complex	ADOPTED	Energy and Environment	Idaho Power Company's Hells Canyon Project is in the process of relicensing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The State of Oregon has attempted to require Idaho Power Company to implement fish passage and reintroduction of anadromous fish above the Hells Canyon Project into Idaho waters. Introduction or reintroduction of aquatic species into Idaho waters without the consent of the State of Idaho violates Idaho law, policy, and the sovereignty of the State of Idaho. The Governor of Idaho has advised the Governor of Oregon that Idaho opposes Oregon's efforts to impose reintroduction into Idaho waters because of the significant adverse biological, regulatory, social, and economic impacts, but the State of Oregon has insisted on its passage and reintroduction measures. This legislation provides that the Legislature opposes such introduction or reintroduction efforts and authorizes and directs the Governor and the Attorney General to take all necessary measures to oppose and prevent Oregon's unilateral introduction or reintroduction efforts.	ADOPTED	Support
HJM004	Invasive Species	ADOPTED	Water	Invasive species, quagga and zebra mussels, are better controlled at the location of infested waters by decontamination of watercraft. This legislation encourages western states and the federal government to cooperate and coordinate efforts to stop the spread of mussels.	ADOPTED	Support
HJM006	Agriculture	ADOPTED	Production AG	To ensure that our domestic farmers, ranchers and food processor are able to compete in a fair and level market environment, and the food security measures required by law are equally applied to all food products allowed to be sold in markets in Idaho and nationally; And to enhance the knowledge of the general population regarding the importance of these measures, not only for the economic strength of Idaho and our nation, but also to the health and welfare of individual families.	On 3/21 Senate Ag sent to floor with do pass. On 3/22 Senate passed by voice vote.	Monitor

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S1009	IDEQ Crop Residue Burning	LAW	Environment	DEQ is proposing an increase to the ozone evaluation threshold from 75% to 90%. To account for the time needed to obtain EPA approval for this change, it will be implemented in two stages. For the 2017 burn season, the ozone threshold will remain at the current level or 75% of the 2008 ozone standard. On February 28, 2018, which is the expected date of EPA approval of Idaho's state implementation plan which identifies the change, the 90% threshold of the 2015 ozone standard will become effective. The new threshold will continue to be protective of Idaho's air quality but will also preserve growers' ability to burn crop residue on good burn days when using smoke management best practices.	Signed by the Governor on 3/9.	Monitor
S1036	Approps Supplemental	LAW	Transportation	Appropriates additional \$24.7 million in FY2017 funds for transportation projects generated by the Transportation Surplus Eliminator passed in 2015.	Signed by Governor on 2/17	Support
S1043a	Transportation Permitting	LAW	Transportation	Authorizes equipment dealers to move implements of husbandry during daylight hours without a permit.	Signed by the Governor on 3/20.	Support
S1044	Dyed Fuel	DONE	Transportation	The purpose of this legislation is to provide a practical inspection method to ensure compliance with current Idaho motor fuel tax law and a minimum of disruption to the public. This is a compromise effort to retain dyed fuel option for off road vehicles.	DONE - SEE S1072	Monitor
S1052	Dyed Fuel	DONE	Transportation	This proposal does away with dyed diesel fuel and keeps one diesel fuel (clear) in the marketplace for all users. There is a system in place for off road users of diesel fuel to apply for a refund as frequently as monthly and no longer than annually.	On 2/21 Sponsor asked for bill to be returned/held.	Monitor
S1063	Irrigation - State Lands	LAW	Water	This legislation ensures that State lands that are entitled to water rights and drainage benefits apportioned by irrigation districts are subject to irrigation district assessments to pay for the costs of constructing, operating, and maintaining district water delivery and drainage systems.	Signed by Governor on 3/16.	Monitor

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S1064	Irrigation - Exclusion Fees	LAW	Water	Clarifies the exclusion fee schedule depending on location and size of parcel proposed for exclusion; clarify that exclusion process-related fees are to be borne by the petitioner and are not potentially apportionable costs shared by the irrigation district; extend the available irrigation district investigation/hearing timeline to allow facility and water availability investigation to occur when weather conditions are more suitable for performing such tasks either close to, or when, water is in the ditch system; and clarify that current and prior year assessments remain due and owing prior to exclusion.	Signed by Governor on 3/20.	Monitor
S1068	Idaho Invasive Species Act Amendments	DONE	Environment	This bill amends the Idaho Invasive Species Act by the addition of an Office of Invasive Species Policy within the Office of Species Conservation. This legislation sets-up the duties and reporting requirements of the policy administrator of that office and lays out the coordination efforts between State agencies.	SEE HB249	Monitor
S1072	Dyed Fuel	FAILED	Transportation	The purpose of this legislation is to provide a practical inspection method to ensure compliance with current Idaho motor fuel tax law and a minimum of disruption to the public. This is a compromise effort to retain dyed fuel option for off road vehicles. Additional corrections.	On 2/28 failed in Senate 8-26-1	Monitor
S1084	Irrigation Dist Filing Fee Increase	LAW	Water	The purpose of this legislation is to update the filing fee for irrigation district delinquent lists from two dollars (\$2.00) to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).	Signed by Governor on 3/20.	Monitor
S1107	Commercial Driver Licenses	TO GOV	Transportation	Allow the free market to determine prices for the Commercial Driver's License skills testing organization with a cap at \$190. The Idaho Transportation Department will continue to receive \$10 for administrative purposes. So, the total maximum fee that can be charged will be \$200.	Sent to the Governor on 3/27.	Monitor
S1112	Approps Supplemental for watercraft inspection	LAW	Environment	Appropriates an additional \$1,010,000 to the Department of Agriculture for fiscal year 2017, for watercraft inspection stations; and authorizes 3 additional full-time equivalent positions.	On 3/20 Signed by Governor.	Support

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S1141	Approps Disaster Relief	TO ENROLL	Disaster Relief Infrastructure Funds	Appropriates and transfers \$2 million from the General Fund to the Disaster Emergency Fund; provides legislative intent; appropriates and transfers \$50 million from the General Fund to the Emergency Relief Fund; and appropriates and transfers \$7,448,000 from the Consumer Protection Fund to the General Fund.	Passed House on 3/28 vote was 69-0-1.	Monitor
S1162	GARVEE	DONE	Transportation	This legislation approves bonding authority to issue highway transportation (GARVEE) bonds by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association in a principal amount sufficient to finance the highway transportation projects listed in the legislation (page 2) in an amount up to \$300,000,000. Such bonds are expected to be paid from the State Highway Account as provided in Idaho Code § 40-707. Project selection shall be the sole responsibility and duty of the Idaho Transportation Board. Allocation of GARVEE bond proceeds shall be the sole responsibility and duty of the Idaho Transportation Board.	On 3/29 the bill was recommitted to Senate Transportation.	Support
S1163	GARVEE and other funding mechanisms	DONE	Transportation	Approves bonding authority to issue highway transportation (GARVEE) bonds by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association in a principal amount sufficient to finance the highway transportation projects listed in the legislation (page 3) in an amount up to \$300,000,000. Such bonds are expected to be paid from the State Highway Account as provided in Idaho Code § 40-707. Project selection shall be the sole responsibility and duty of the Idaho Transportation Board. Also approves \$200,000,000 in general bonding authority issued by IHFA to finance projects lists in the legislation (page 3) or other new highway and bridge projects ITD may select to improve safety, provide commerce opportunities, and reduce congestion. Of this bonding authority, 60% is for State projects and 40% is for local units of government. Extends for 5 years the surplus eliminator in H312aaSaaS, passed in 2015, providing for a split of 60% for the state and 40% for local units of government which are required to file reports as to how the maintenance money was spent before they can receive any additional payments. Exempts the sales tax on road materials. It also eliminates the 5% transfer from the Highway Distribution Account to the Law Enforcement Account. Instead, 1% of the sales tax distribution is directed to the Law Enforcement Account. To hold local governments harmless, it increases one percentage point to 12.5% of sales tax distribution to the Revenue Sharing Account. Finally, this legislation directs JLOC to have OPE conduct an independent evaluation of LHTAC.	Printed on 3/13. DONE See S1184	Support

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S1184	GARVEE and other funding mechanisms	DONE	Transportation	Includes all the provisions of S1163 with the following additions: Creates local option sales tax of up to 1% for counties to levy for specific transportation projects. In order to take effect, the tax must be approved by a majority of voters in the country. Tax sunsets when the project is completed; The sunset on cigarette tax distribution is lifted and cigarette tax dollars are moved from GARVEE to the new CSCM Fund; and, continues \$5 million for water recharge projects. The undirected balance will also be redirected to the CSCM. Fund. In FY2018 that amounts to \$5.1 million.	Printed on 3/15. DONE see S1188	Support
S1188	GARVEE and other funding mechanisms	FAILED	Transportation	Includes all the provisions of S1184 with some language changes on the local option tax provision ensuring only for roads and not other projects.	On 3/16 failed in Senate Transportation vote was 4-5. On 3/20 Committee brought up again and sent to 14th Order for amendments. On 3/21 Senate Amended. Failed on 3/22 on Senate floor vote was 15-20-0	Support
S1195	Employment Security Law	FAILED	Taxes	This bill proposal would reduce the tax multiplier in unemployment insurance from 1.5% to 1.3%. Likely to be part of end of session package.	Amended on 3/28 to add one tenth of a percent reduction for each income tax rate. Passed House on 3/28 vote was 53-17-0. Senate concurred with House amendment on 3/28. On 3/29 bill failed on final passage in Senate.	Support

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S1206	GARVEE and other funding mechanisms	TO ENROLL	Transportation	Garvee bonding up to \$300 million, covers 184 improvements, extends surplus eliminator and includes 60-40 split state-locals. The bill also redirects unallocated portion of the cigarette tax to the Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation Fund.	On 3/27 bill was printed and heard - Senate Transportation sent to floor with do pass on 5-4 vote. On 3/28 Senate passed vote was 19-16-0. House Transportation heard bill and sent to floor with do pass. House passed the bill vote was 51-19-0.	Support
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