

# FOOD PRODUCERS OF IDAHO

## 2026 Food Producers of Idaho – Legislative Summary 69th Idaho Legislature, First Session 2/18/2026

*\*All Legislation that Food Producers of Idaho takes a position on will be tracked for the FP Scorecard. Shading Indicates Food Producers' latest action on the legislation.*

Bill #	Description	Contact	House	Senate	Final
H 503 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Proposes to establish the Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission within the Idaho Department of Water Resources.	Patxi Larrocea-Phillips, LP Associates & Agriculture, LLC	Awaiting floor action		
<i>IFBF Abstained from Vote</i>					
H 517 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Removes Idaho from the Pacific Northwest Economic Region (PNWER).	Ken Dey, Simplot	State Affairs		
H 584 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Adds to Idaho employment law to prohibit employment of illegal aliens and require employers to e-verify an employee's legal employment status as a condition of employment.	Jamie Neill, IDA	Business		
H 587 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	H468, the Idaho Rangeland Improvement Act, was passed in the 2024 legislative session. While revenues are not derived from General Funds, continuous spending for any revenue source were not authorized. This legislation clarifies that funding, regardless of the source, is continuously authorized so that projects can be prioritized and completed in a timely manner.	Patxi Larrocea-Phillips, LP Associates & Agriculture, LLC	2/13 Passed 44-25-1	Resources & Environment	
H 630 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Amends 22-102A, Idaho Code, which provides for the permitting of the use of aircraft in controlling unprotected or predatory animals. The amendments will account for the movement of current administrative rule language into the statute because it is beneficial to have all related requirements related to this matter in a single location in Idaho Code.	Braden Jensen, IFBF	Agricultural Affairs		
H 631 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Amend Title 22, Chapter 1, Idaho Code, to incorporate certain language related to Certificates of Free Sale. The amendment will move language from a current administrative rule to statute, which means the regulated community will be able to find all requirements related to this matter in a single location in Idaho Code.	Braden Jensen, IFBF	Agricultural Affairs		
H 663 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Regarding Idaho agriculture license plates, this legislation moves design responsibilities from Food Producers of Idaho to the Idaho Ag in the Classroom Board of Directors.	Cassidey Plum, Plum and Associates	Transportation & Defense Committee		
H 669 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Enacts a full repeal of cloud seeding operations by any public or private entity. It also prohibits any type of weather modification activity within the state.	Braden Jensen, IFBF	Awaiting committee referral		
H 693 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Makes it illegal in Idaho for anyone to knowingly help, hide, or transport individuals who are in the U.S. illegally. It also prohibits encouraging or assisting them to live in the state and providing them with housing.	Jamie Neill, IDA	Judiciary, Rules & Administration Committee		

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	financial support, or legal help if their presence in the U.S. violates federal law. If someone breaks this law, they can face a misdemeanor or a felony depending on how many individuals are involved. Repeat offenders and those aiding multiple individuals can lose business licenses, face large fines, and even have their vehicles seized. Exceptions exist for law enforcement, emergency responders, and first responders acting in their official capacity.				
H 704 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Adds to Idaho employment law to prohibit employment of illegal aliens and require employers to e-verify an employee's legal employment status as a condition of employment.	Jamie Niell, IDA	Business		
HJM 9 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Shows statewide support for a federal legislative effort to confirm that the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) is the primary law governing federal land exchanges.	Elizabeth Criner, Veritas Advisors	2/04 Adopted 69-0-1	2/17 Adopted – Voice Vote	Adopted – Memorial to Congress
HJM 10 <i>*FPI Supports</i>  <i>Food Northwest Abstained from Vote</i>	Urges Congress to join Secretary Robert Kennedy's push to move away from artificial sweeteners in children's school lunches and replace with natural sources of sugar.	Samantha Parrott, SRSGA	2/04 Adopted – Voice Vote	2/11 Adopted – Voice Vote	Adopted – Memorial to Congress
HJM 12 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Expresses the opposition of the Idaho Legislature to any proposal by the State of Utah to impose an export tax on transportation fuels sold outside its borders.	Suzanne Budge, SBS Associates	Transportation & Defense		
S 1222 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Amends existing laws regarding domestic wells, specifically targeting regulations for water usage and subdivisions. The bill aims to revise provisions related to domestic exempt wells and clarifies definitions for water use.	Paul Arrington, IWUA	2/11 69-0-1	1/30 29-0-6	Awaiting Governor's Action
S 1224 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Provides slow-moving vehicles right-of-way until safe to move.	Dexton Lake, IFBF		Transportation	
S 1269 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Updates Idaho's cloud seeding statutes by placing clear definitions, authorization, and reporting mechanisms into law to improve transparency and accountability. It provides for public meetings and reporting on cloud seeding operations, environmental considerations, and program effectiveness under an existing program.	Paul Arrington, IWUA		Resources & Environment	
S 1271 <i>*FPI Opposes</i>	Address the growing presence of invasive Norway rats and roof rats in Idaho, which pose risks to public health, agriculture, and infrastructure. Idaho has not historically had established populations of these rats, and early, coordinated action is necessary to prevent permanent establishment and increased long-term costs.	Ben Miller, IPMA		Agricultural Affairs	
SCR 115 <i>*FPI Supports</i>  <i>IFBF Abstained from Vote</i>	Proposes to establish the Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission within the Idaho Department of Water Resources.	Patxi Larroccea-Phillips, LP Associates & Agriculture, LLC	Awaiting floor action	2/09 Adopted – Voice Vote	
SCR 116 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Formally recognizes the hydrologic and economic importance of Idaho Water Resource Board District 1.	Paul Arrington, IWUA	Resources & Conservation	2/09 Adopted – Voice Vote	

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SCR 117 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Formally recognizes the strategic importance of Idaho Water Resource Board District 4 as the primary "water tower" for the Snake River system.	Paul Arrington, IWUA	Resources & Conservation	2/04 Adopted – Voice vote	
SCR 118 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Formally recognize the vital economic and hydrologic contributions of Idaho Water Resource Board District 3, encompassing the Magic V alley and Wood River Basins.	Paul Arrington, IWUA	Resources & Conservation	2/04 Adopted 31-3-1	
SCR 119 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Formally recognizes the critical importance of water management in Idaho Water Resource Board District 2 and to declare legislative support for specific infrastructure projects essential to the region's future.	Paul Arrington, IWUA	Resources & Conservation	2/04 Adopted – Voice Vote	
SJM 110 <i>*FPI Supports</i>	Urges federal action to protect Idaho's sugar beet industry from unfair foreign trade practices. Idaho is a leading sugar beet producer, supporting rural communities, farm families, and thousands of jobs.	Samantha Parrott, SRSGA		State Affairs	