

## *A New Direction*



It may sound like an April fools' prank, but over the last two years the Idaho legislature has slowly been moving in a better direction. I believe citizens have had enough of big government infringing on their rights and are becoming politically activated.

In the legislature, I have witnessed not only an increase in good conservative legislative proposals and policies being passed, but also major structural and process reforms that will have long lasting positive impacts for the state of Idaho. While the current executive branch continually tries to take credit for these positive changes, I believe the actions of this executive branch and its legion of bloated bureaucracies are the prime contributor to many of the problems the legislature is trying to fix.

In this update, I'll be calling out some of the strategic shifts I have witnessed which I believe contribute to the positive change:

- **Energized Grassroots Idaho GOP**

Two years ago, the direction of Idaho changed when a freedom caucus member was elected as chairman of the Republican Party. Former state representative Dorothy Moon has worked tirelessly to

rebuild the party, moving agendas away from crony capitalism and the good old boy club, to what I believe was more like the original intent of our Republic: a party of grassroots citizens trying to reign in out-of-control government and reinforce “We the People”. The establishment has done everything possible to thwart her efforts but she continues to find strength and fight for Idaho. I am witnessing a visible change from the old top-down mentality to bottom-up government by the citizens.

- **An Opening for Conservatives in the House**

During this same timeframe, a new Speaker of the House was elected. Let me tell you why this is important. People tend to think that because the House is a supermajority of Republican (> 80%), we can trust them to pass good, conservative legislation. However, twenty-five liberal Republicans (the Main Street Caucus) routinely vote with the 11 democrats to kill good legislation and promote global agendas. The new Speaker, Rep. Mike Moyle has used his experience in the legislative system to balance this great divide. Under his new leadership, there have been many positive changes and opportunities to promote liberty. Conservative legislators have been appointed to committee chair positions, conservative bills are being heard and passed, and many meetings now start with a time of prayer. Structural changes include many internal processes that are taking more control from the executive branch and returning it to the legislature and the people. With Speaker Moyle’s leadership, Idaho witnessed the largest property tax relief package in Idaho history utilizing a legislative override of the Governor’s veto. This marked the 1st successful override of a veto in 15 years. Change doesn’t come fast in Idaho but I’m seeing great signs for the future.

- **Better Organization with the Freedom Caucus**

An influx of many new more conservative legislators in November 2022 was instrumental in helping to finally formalize the Idaho Freedom Caucus. With help from the National State Freedom Caucus Network, we were able to hire an executive director, Maria Nate, to help with organization and vision. This newly formed team has put great effort into proposing better conservative legislation and defeating bad legislation while starting a PAC to help retain good conservative legislators in upcoming elections. Our caucus focused on transparency and fiscal accountability, protecting families and children, and protecting constitutional rights. It is amazing to see so much courage from new legislators.

***As for the future***, we need to be ready to support conservative liberty minded Republican candidates in the upcoming elections on May 21st. There is a coordinated effort on our state to take power from the conservative grassroots and give it back to the establishment. This includes all levels from the Republican Precinct committeemen to County Commissioners to legislative and state races. We as a

state and country cannot afford to be uneducated about our candidates nor complacent in our voting. Doing so will assuredly accelerate the demise of our great state. Once session is complete, keep an eye out for my year-end update to find out all of the legislature's wins and losses this session.

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There is still a lot of work to be done in order to clean up the corruption in Idaho. Don't be discouraged, pray for the best, prepare for the worst, and stay faithful!

In Liberty,

Rep. Heather Scott

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Rep. Heather Scott is committed to peaceful non-violent social and political change to protect traditional American family values and is against all forms of supremacy. Rep. Scott believes that many Idaho politicians are corrupt and that crony capitalism is rampant in Idaho. She promotes bottom up not top-down government, believes in state sovereignty, and local and limited government control. Rep. Heather Scott knows that all power is in the people.

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