

BRAD LITTLE GOVERNOR

April 3, 2023

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House Idaho House of Representatives Hand Delivered

Dear Speaker Moyle,

I hereby advise you that I have signed on March 30, 2023, and transmitted to the Office of the Secretary of State, with my approval, the following House bill, to wit:

HOUSE BILL 161

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 9:40 a.m. on March 29, 2023.

I have signed this legislation as a full supporter of employment and training requirements for benefit recipients. Idaho has operated a successful employment and training program for many years. I appreciate the spirit of this legislation to fully and appropriately apply work and training opportunities to help benefit recipients enter or advance in the workforce. However, the implementation of this legislation and balancing it with federal regulations and timelines presents risk. I caution future policy makers to closely monitor the impacts of this legislation to ensure it does not result in federal non-compliance and even jeopardize the federal funds available for our employment and training program.

Sincerely,

Brad Little Governor of Idaho