



BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR

March 31, 2026

The Honorable Scott Bedke
President of the Senate
Idaho State Senate
Hand Delivery

Dear Mr. President,

I hereby advise you that I have signed on March 31, 2026, and transmitted to the Office of the Secretary of State, with my approval, the following Senate bill to wit:

S 1326 aa

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 10:42 a.m. on March 25, 2026.

This legislation represents a meaningful reaffirmation of the Fourth Amendment and a reflection of what many Idahoans describe as “the Idaho way” – a governance philosophy grounded in limited intrusion, personal liberty, and clear constitutional boundaries. The bill’s emphasis on warrant requirements and constraints on investigatory overreach aligns with long-standing principles of privacy and due process sought by property owners and Idaho’s agricultural producers for many years.

It is important to candidly acknowledge the operational realities this measure introduces for state and local agencies tasked with enforcement and compliance. Agencies across Idaho will now be required to reassess and, in many cases, significantly adjust how they carry out routine functions. This includes revisiting investigative protocols, evidence collection procedures, interagency coordination, and the use of evolving technologies. While the policy intent is clear and principled, implementation could present real challenges. Ensuring law enforcement and other impacted personnel are adequately supported with clear statutory language, training resources, and legal guidance will be essential to the successful implementation of this law.

Senate Bill 1326aa is a principled step toward reinforcing constitutional protections in Idaho. Its success, however, will depend not only on its intent but on its implementation. Continued dialogue between policymakers, agency leadership, and frontline officers will be critical to achieving both compliance and effectiveness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Little".

Brad Little
Governor of Idaho