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March 14, 2024

The Honorable Mike Moyle Speaker of the House Idaho Legislature Boise, ID 83720

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I hereby advise you that I have signed on March 14, 2024, and transmitted to the Office of the Secretary of the State, with my approval, the following House Bill, to wit:

## **HOUSE BILL 417**

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 12:05 p.m. on March 8, 2024.

I support reasonable policies that accommodate the preference of well-intentioned Idahoans to use cash to complete necessary transactions with state agencies. However, House Bill 417 is overly broad, provides an opportunity for abuse, and will likely result in unintended administrative and fiscal costs that Idaho's taxpayers will ultimately bear. It is also not yet clear how state agencies – particularly agencies operating in rural areas or with functions occurring outside of a physical location – will be able to comply with the requirements of Idaho Code 59-1014.

I will request that the Division of Financial Management closely monitor the implementation of House Bill 417 and survey state agencies to identify potential amendments to the law in advance of the next legislative session.

Sincerely,

Brad Little Governor of Idaho