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## **Judge To Make Decision on Complaint against Treasurer**

**BOISE, Idaho** – Speaker of the House Scott Bedke and other state leaders made their case in court today, as they argued that a lawsuit against the State Treasurer should move forward.

“The Treasurer would rather try this in the court of public opinion,” said Speaker of the House Scott Bedke. “But, this is a pure question of law, and we are looking for the appropriate legal remedy.”

Speaker of the House Scott Bedke and President Pro Tem Brent Hill reluctantly filed the complaint in June after the Treasurer refused to follow state law. That 2007 law allows the Legislature to decide what is done with the first, third, and fourth floors of the building. The treasurer’s office is located on the first floor.

“Some commentators say it is ridiculous to have a lawsuit over office space. We agree,” said Speaker Bedke. “But, when an elected official refuses to follow state law, there is something much larger at stake. Perhaps the Treasurer will listen to the court when it declares that she is bound by the law, which we fully expect to happen.”

The Legislature has offered to allow the Treasurer to stay in her suite with some of her staff. She has refused, even though she (like most other Constitutional Officers in Idaho) already has staff in many other locations.

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