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Idaho Democrats applaud signing of historic Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act

BOISE – Idaho Democratic Party Executive Director Jim Hansen today applauded the signing of the historic Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act. The first bill signed into law by President Barack Obama, the Act will ensure that American workers are treated fairly under the law by correcting wage disparities.

"President Barack Obama today sent a powerful message about our commitment to equality and economic opportunity for every American by making good on his promise to pass the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act," said Hansen. "At a time when families around Idaho are struggling to address the current economic crisis, it is more important than ever that our economy works."

"Democrats fought hard to pass this legislation and end the wage disparities that have resulted in women making just 78 cents for every dollar men earn," Hansen said. "That disparity hurts not only women but all of our families, and I am proud that President Obama signaled the importance of the principle of equal pay for equal work by making the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act the first bill signed during his presidency."

