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### **SHELBY KERNS NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BUDGET OFFICERS**

**WASHINGTON, DC:** The National Association of State Budget Officers (NASBO) is pleased to announce the appointment of Shelby Kerns as the association's next Executive Director. Kerns is currently Deputy Director at the Idaho Department of Labor, having previously worked in the Idaho Division of Financial Management from 2009-2019. In her prior position as Budget Bureau Chief, she led staff in developing, presenting, and advocating for the Governor's Executive Budget. Earlier in her career, Kerns was executive director of the Idaho Rural Partnership, program director at the Idaho Association of REALTORS®, and assistant executive director of the Idaho Wool Growers Association.

Kerns is well known within the NASBO community as an active member in the association including serving on the association's Executive Committee (board of directors).

Kerns succeeds John Hicks who became Kentucky State Budget Director in December 2019.

"NASBO's entire Executive Committee is pleased to welcome Shelby Kerns as the organization's next Executive Director," said Marc Nicole, NASBO President and Deputy Secretary for the Maryland Department of Budget & Management. "As NASBO celebrates our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, I know that Shelby will undoubtedly continue our association's successes with her extensive knowledge, experience and forward-looking ideas."

"I am passionate about the work of NASBO as my participation, including serving on the Executive Committee, was key to my success in the Idaho budget office," Kerns said. "NASBO provides solid research and data, key fiscal policy information, professional growth, and support to state budget personnel and I look forward to continuing to build upon its strong reputation."

Kerns received a master's degree in business administration from Northwest Nazarene University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Idaho.

She will begin her new position on March 30, 2020.

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