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(S.D.)-State House Elects Rep. Brian Gosch As Speaker

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PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - Republican Rep. Brian Gosch of Rapid City has been elected speaker of the South Dakota House of Representatives.

As South Dakota's legislative session started Tuesday, the House also elected Rep. Dean Wink of Howes as speaker pro tem, which puts him next in line to be speaker in two years.

The Senate elected Sen. Corey Brown of Gettysburg to be president pro tem. That means he will preside over the Senate when Lieutenant Gov. Matt Michels is absent.