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Many of us have come to enjoy games on our smart phones, laptops, tablets, etc. but one I like is "Angry Birds." So when this blog from the Idaho Statesman's Dan Popkey came in, we decide to share a few highlights and the link to the blog. Enjoy and I hope to see you at the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl Game on Saturday!

More fun than Angry Birds: Playing 'Idaho' with revamped search tool for the Congressional Record

Really. The Sunlight Foundation's revamped "Capitol Words" rivals other online time-wasters.

There's an <u>Idaho page</u> where you learn that the top five words spoken by Idaho members of Congress since 1996 are: Idahoans, Idaho's, Idaho, Boise and id. (Id? Is Idaho Rep. Mike Simpson, a notoriously voracious reader, channeling Freud from the well of the House? Oh, ID, as in the postal abbreviation for Idaho!) "Nuclear," "agriculture" and "timber" are six, seven and eight, and "mountain" comes in No. 19.

Also, you can search by <u>legislator's name</u>, and learn fun facts, including that "potato" is Simpson's 14th favorite word, ahead of No. 20 "dental," a mouthful for a former dentist.

Speaking of "potato," Simpson ranks No. 3 in use of the word,

OK, to get the rest, go to this link:

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