

FIRST INTERSTATE BANCSYSTEM INC

Form 8-K

November 24, 2015

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)**

**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of report (date of earliest event reported): November 19, 2015**

**FIRST INTERSTATE BANCSYSTEM, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Montana**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation or organization)**

**001-34653**  
**(Commission**  
**File No.)**  
**401 North 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Billings, MT 59101**

**81-0331430**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(406) 255-5390**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On November 19, 2015, Thomas W. Scott, Chairman of the Board of Directors of First Interstate BancSystem, Inc. (the Company), announced his retirement from the Board, effective January 21, 2016. There were no disagreements between Mr. Scott and the Company regarding any matters relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

James R. Scott, Executive Vice Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors, will succeed Thomas W. Scott as Chairman, effective January 21, 2016. James R. Scott has been a Director of First Interstate BancSystem, Inc. since 1971, Vice Chairman of the Board since 1990 and Executive Vice Chairman since 2010. Mr. Scott has also served as a Chairman of the Company's banking subsidiary, First Interstate Bank, since 2007.

A copy of the press release announcing this leadership transition is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated November 24, 2015 announcing Board of Directors leadership transition.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 24, 2015

FIRST INTERSTATE BANCSYSTEM, INC.

By: /s/ KEVIN P. RILEY

Kevin P. Riley

President and Chief Executive Officer