

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

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2 STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND CREATING A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
3 TO UNDERTAKE AND COMPLETE A STUDY OF THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE
4 PLAN ACT OF 2021 FUNDS FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE AND SEWER INFRA-
5 STRUCTURE.

6 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 WHEREAS, the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), P.L.
8 117-2, was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Joseph Biden
9 on March 11, 2021; and

10 WHEREAS, Section 9901 of ARPA creates the Coronavirus State Fiscal Re-
11 covery Fund, which includes broadband infrastructure and sewer infrastruc-
12 ture projects as allowable uses of the fund; and

13 WHEREAS, Idaho's estimated share of federal funding from the U.S. De-
14 partment of the Treasury through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
15 will be \$1.19 billion available until December 31, 2024.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Ses-
17 sion of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
18 the Senate concurring therein, that a committee is hereby created to under-
19 take and complete a study of the expenditure of ARPA funds for broadband in-
20 frastructure and sewer infrastructure. The committee shall be composed of
21 the members of the House of Representatives Environment, Energy and Tech-
22 nology Committee and the members of the Senate Local Government and Taxation
23 Committee. The committee shall study and make recommendations to the Second
24 Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature regarding the expendi-
25 ture of federal funds received for broadband infrastructure and sewer infra-
26 structure under ARPA.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in voting upon any motion before the commit-
28 tee, separate votes shall be taken of the representatives serving on the com-
29 mittee and of the senators serving on the committee. A majority of the sen-
30 ators and a majority of the representatives shall be required to approve any
31 motion before the full committee.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee is authorized to receive in-
33 put, advice, and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not
34 members of the Legislature.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall report its findings,
36 recommendations, and proposed legislation, if any, to the Second Regular
37 Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature.