

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1222

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO COVID-19; AMENDING TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A
NEW CHAPTER 97, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING
CERTAIN COVID-19-RELATED FUNDING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended
by the addition thereto of a NEW CHAPTER, to be known and designated as Chap-
ter 97, Title 67, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

CHAPTER 97

COVID-19-RELATED FUNDING

67-9701. COVID-19-RELATED FUNDING. The state of Idaho finds that cer-
tain relief should be provided to the citizens of the state through use of
COVID-19-related funding received from the federal government. Specifi-
cally, COVID-19-related funding, to the extent available, shall be used for
the following:

- (1) Reimbursing employers for wages paid to workers for time off work:
 - (a) For the purpose of receiving, and assisting family members to re-
ceive, vaccinations;
 - (b) To recover from any adverse reaction to the COVID-19 vaccine; and
 - (c) To care for family members having adverse reactions to the COVID-19
vaccine;
- (2) Rapid COVID-19 testing for citizens of the state, including school
personnel and students;
- (3) Compensation for those off work due to exposure to COVID-19 or con-
tracting COVID-19;
- (4) Mobile vaccination clinics and in-home vaccinations for COVID-19;
- (5) Enhanced multilingual capabilities for COVID-19 vaccination in-
formation and administration;
- (6) A sick leave bank for all public employees, including school per-
sonnel;
- (7) Onetime bonus payments to essential workers; and
- (8) A COVID-19 vaccine injury compensation program to be used for the
recovery of damages to be determined by department of insurance rules with
due regard for similar compensable injuries as evaluated under the worker's
compensation program for those injured by a COVID-19 vaccine but unable to
bring suit against any pharmaceutical company.

SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
passage and approval.