

MINUTES  
**JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023

**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room C310

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Senators Co-Chairman Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Co-Chairman Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Handy, Lambert, Petzke, Tanner, and Nash

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None

**CONVENED:** **Co-Chairman Grow** called the meeting of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (Committee or JFAC) to order at 8:01 a.m.

**LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:** **OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-DIVISION OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (DFM) FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024 ORIGINAL; Keith Bybee, Division Manager, Legislative Services Office (LSO) Budget and Policy Analysis**  
**Mr. Bybee** informed the Committee the supplemental request to adjust the appropriation for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) programs in the Governor's budget would have an impact upon the budget's current year base. He therefore requested to hold this budget and reschedule it once the adjustments were made.

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT:** Requested by **Co-Chairman Horman**, granted by unanimous consent, to hold this budget line item until a later date subject to the call of the chair.

**LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:** **OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FY 2024 ORIGINAL; Tim Hibbard, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**  
**Mr. Hibbard** summarized the FY 2023 original appropriation and the FY 2024 budget which included items the Committee has already taken action upon this session.

**MOTION:** Moved by **Representative Furniss**, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$11,000 for benefit costs, \$15,800 for statewide cost allocation, and \$60,700 for change in employee compensation. Include \$7,500 for replacement items, and \$7,800 for annualizations. Also included is line item 1, which provides \$23,700 for the Governor's office to transition the GovDelivery messaging service. The totals for this motion for the Executive Office of the Governor for FY 2024 are 21.00 FTP, \$2,565,200 from the General Fund, and \$2,000,000 from dedicated funds, for a grand total of \$4,565,200; seconded by **Senator Herndon**.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 19**

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1**

Representative Raybould

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Representative Furniss**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT  
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION. EXEMPTIONS FROM OBJECT AND PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS. For fiscal year 2024, the Executive Office of the Governor is hereby exempted from the provisions of Section 67-3511 (1), (2) and (3), Idaho Code, allowing unlimited transfers between object codes and between programs, for all moneys appropriated to it for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Legislative appropriations shall not be transferred from one fund to another fund unless expressly approved by the Legislature.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND TAXATION – BOARD OF TAX APPEALS FY 2024 ORIGINAL; Tim Hibbard, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

**Mr. Hibbard** overviewed the agency’s request with adjusted budget actions already taken. He pointed out there were no line items in this budget.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Petzke**, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$2,800 for benefit costs, \$8,400 for statewide cost allocation, \$12,100 for change in employee compensation, and \$4,400 for Human Resources consolidation. Include \$1,400 for inflationary adjustments and \$7,000 for replacement items. The totals for this motion for Board of Tax Appeals for FY 2024 are 4.00 FTP, and \$662,200 from the General Fund; seconded by **Senator Bjerke**.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 20**

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0**

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Representative Petzke**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT  
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION X. ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section 67-702, Idaho Code.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS - ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT BOARD (EFIB) FY 2024 ORIGINAL; Janet Jessup, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

**Ms. Jessup** summarized that EFIB is organized under the Board of Land Commissioners, along with the Department of Lands. Its budget includes operational costs and does not include the individual endowment distributions, which can be found in the budgets of the endowment beneficiaries.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Representative Furniss** declared a House Rule 80.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Burtenshaw**, beginning with the FY 2024 base include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$1,200 for benefit costs, \$6,500 for statewide cost allocation, \$12,200 for change in employee compensation, and \$5,700 for Human Resources consolidation. Include \$12,000 for inflationary adjustments and \$3,500 for replacement items. The totals for this motion for the Board of Land Commissioners, the Endowment Fund Investment Board, for FY 2024 are 4.00 FTP and a total of \$872,600 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Representative Raybould**.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 20**

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0**

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Senator Burtenshaw**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT  
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION \_ : CONTINUOUS APPROPRIATION. The Endowment Fund Investment Board is hereby granted continuous appropriation authority for consulting fees, custodial fees, investment manager fees, and other portfolio-related external costs for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

SECTION \_ : TRANSFERS FROM EARNINGS RESERVE FUNDS. For fiscal year 2024, it is hereby appropriated and the Endowment Fund Investment Board shall transfer \$100,315,000 as follows: \$61,532,200 from the Public School Earnings Reserve Fund to the Public School Income Fund; \$1,927,500 from the Agricultural College Earnings Reserve Fund to the Agricultural College Income Fund; \$7,008,000 from the Charitable Institutions Earnings Reserve Fund to the Charitable Institutions Income Fund; \$6,568,700 from the

Normal School Earnings Reserve Fund to the Normal School Income Fund; \$3,139,600 from the Penitentiary Earnings Reserve Fund to the Penitentiary Income Fund; \$6,672,700 from the Scientific School Earnings Reserve Fund to the Scientific School Income Fund; \$7,586,400 from the Mental Hospital Earnings Reserve Fund to the Mental Hospital Income Fund; and \$5,879,900 from the University Earnings Reserve Fund to the University Income Fund.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - OFFICE OF SPECIES  
CONSERVATION FY 2024 ORIGINAL; Janet Jessup, Principal Budget  
and Policy Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

**Ms. Jessup** stated the Office of Species Conservation is organized under the Office of the Governor and its budget reflects the JFAC action that has already been taken as it pertains to personnel costs, statewide cost allocation, change in employee compensation, and the human resources consolidation.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Just**, beginning with the FY 2024 base include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$11,500 for benefit costs, \$3,700 for statewide cost allocation, \$45,500 for change in employee compensation, and \$11,000 for Human Resources consolidation. Also included is one line item that provides \$75,000 onetime for the Sage Grouse Grazing Study. The totals for this motion for the Office of Species Conservation for FY 2024 are 15.00 FTP, \$1,730,600 from the General Fund, \$15,000 from dedicated funds, and \$18,088,000 from federal funds for a grand total of \$19,833,600; seconded by **Representative Nash**.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 20**

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0**

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Senator Just**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT  
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION   . ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section 67-702, Idaho Code.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND  
AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED FY 2024 ORIGINAL; Alex Williamson,  
Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

**Ms. Williamson** explained the agency, organized under the Office of the Governor, assists individuals who are blind or visually impaired to achieve social and economic independence, and consists of five appointed members. Its primary functions include vocational rehabilitation, independent living and home instruction program, and the Assessment and Training Center; also assisting with sight restoration services. **Ms. Williamson** reviewed that included in this budget are the statewide decisions that were made previously by this body, as well as two line items.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Bundy**, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$35,000 for benefit costs, \$9,800 for statewide cost allocation, \$124,700 for change in employee compensation, and \$36,100 for Human Resources consolidation. Then add: line item 1, which provides 2.00 FTP and \$168,800 for an instructor for the blind and a business analyst; then add \$46,100 for IT consolidation. The totals for this motion for the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for FY 2024 are 43.12 FTP, \$1,693,100 from the General Fund, \$347,700 from dedicated funds, and \$3,788,800 from federal funds for a grand total of \$5,829,600; seconded by **Senator Ward-Engelking**.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 20**

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0**

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Representative Bundy**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT  
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION   . ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section 67-702, Idaho Code.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - OFFICE OF DRUG POLICY FY 2024  
ORIGINAL; Alex Williamson, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

**Ms. Williamson** informed that this agency leads Idaho's substance use and misuse prevention efforts to reduce drug use and its related consequences. This budget includes the statewide decisions that were acted upon previously by this body and re-appropriation of ARPA funds.

**MOTION:** Moved by **Representative Lambert**, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include JFAC adjusted budget items: \$4,300 for benefit costs, \$4,600 for statewide cost allocation, \$18,200 for change in employee compensation, and \$4,000 for Human Resources consolidation. The totals for this motion for the Office of Drug Policy for FY 2024 are 6.00 FTP, \$370,000 from the General Fund, \$24,500 from dedicated funds, and \$4,493,900 from federal funds for a grand total of \$4,888,400; seconded by **Senator Lent**.

**CARRIED:** **AYES: 20**  
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just  
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0**

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT:** Requested by **Representative Lambert**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT LANGUAGE:** SECTION   . REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the Office of Drug Policy any unexpended and unencumbered balance appropriated to the Office of Drug Policy from the American Rescue Plan Fund for fiscal year 2023, in the amount not to exceed \$1,381,900 from the American Rescue Plan Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to drug use prevention services for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The Office of the State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program, with the Legislative Services office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT:** Requested by **Representative Lambert**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT LANGUAGE:** SECTION   . ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section 67-702, Idaho Code.

**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business before the Committee, **Co-Chairman Grow** adjourned the meeting at 8:32 a.m.

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Senator Grow  
Chair

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Erin Miller  
Secretary