

# 2024 Legislative Session Idaho State Legislature

# **Key Actions Summary**

The Second Regular Session of the 67th Idaho Legislature began on January 8, 2024, and adjourned Sine Die on April 10, 2024. This Key Actions document reflects legislation passed and approved by the Governor. Over 160 bills are included in this document. Brief summaries of each can be found organized by topic and page as indicated below. The more comprehensive Sine Die Report, which includes expanded overviews of legislation, total volume of legislation, and budget decisions, will be available within two weeks of the Sine Die date.

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A few comments regarding the statewide General Fund budget: The Legislature passed an FY 2025 General Fund budget of \$5.26 billion, which is an increase of 1.7% over the current year. This budget begins July 1, 2024, and has a projected ending balance of \$189 million. For the third year in row, over \$500 million from the General Fund was appropriated for roads and bridges. Other major infrastructure investments included \$30 million for water management and \$25 million for a secure mental health facility. The largest investment made this session was through H 521, which provides the annual bond payment for \$1 billion that will be distributed to school districts for facilities construction and maintenance. H 521 also reduced both the individual and corporate income tax rates from 5.8% to 5.695% beginning in calendar year 2024. Additionally, the Legislature ensured that the major rainy-day funds for general government and public education are at their statutory maximums.

Approximately 2,125 pieces of draft legislation were written. 1,217 of those drafts became RSes, of which over 58% were introduced as bills, resolutions, memorials, or proclamations. The following pages are a summary of selected key actions that successfully made their way through the legislative process during the 2024 legislative session.

# **Agriculture**

- H 472 AGRICULTURE Ensures that the requirements for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) to inspect plants and plant pests on private land is consistent with the requirements for the ISDA to inspect livestock.
- <u>H 474</u> PESTICIDES AND CHEMIGATION Addresses false reporting of pesticide and chemigation damage claims and imposes a misdemeanor criminal penalty for such claims.
- <u>H 549</u> CHEMIGATION Revises and streamlines provisions regarding pesticide and chemigation applicators and licensing, chemical suppliers, and inspections and separates chemigation from the federal licensing structure and allows Idaho to implement a state structure.
- **H 712a** ESTRAYS Revises provisions regarding penalties and damages associated with estrays and charges for care and establishes provisions regarding willfully and wantonly allowing estrays.
- <u>S 1342</u> GRAZING LEASES Excludes grazing leases from certain hearing requirements and provides that all state lands may be leased for a period of up to 40 years for grazing leases.

# **Criminal Justice and Public Safety**

- **H 387** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Revises the penalty for a first conviction for domestic violence.
- <u>H 406</u> UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES Provides for the crimes of trafficking in fentanyl and drug-induced homicide.
- <u>H 441</u> UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES Excludes fentanyl testing strips from the definition of "drug paraphernalia" so that they are no longer criminal.
- <u>H 465</u> CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN Provides that visual sexual depictions of children that are generated by artificial intelligence shall be criminal.
- H 494 CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS Rewrites and clarifies Idaho's human trafficking laws and related statutes regarding commercial sexual activity and imposes on the Attorney General the duty to write a report on human trafficking every other year.
- <u>H 575</u> DISCLOSING EXPLICIT SYNTHETIC MEDIA Provides for the crime of disclosing explicit synthetic media.
- **H 620a** KNIVES Provides that a political subdivision shall not enact certain rules, ordinances, or taxes regarding knives.
- <u>H 710a</u> MINORS Prohibits certain harmful materials from being promoted, given, or made available to a minor by a school or public library and provides for a cause of action if such material is not removed.
- <u>S 1275</u> PARTIES TO ACTIONS Provides immunity for employers who allow or do not prohibit employees to lawfully carry firearms.
- <u>S 1326</u> MOTOR VEHICLES Provides for the crime of aggravated driving while reckless and provides penalties.
- <u>S 1367</u> PUBLIC DEFENSE Clarifies that the Office of the State Public Defender now has responsibility to provide public defense representation for which counties previously had responsibility and creates a fund to coordinate statewide payments for guardian ad litem representation previously paid by individual counties.
- <u>S 1374a</u> CONCEALED WEAPONS Provides clarity on the right to carry a firearm on certain property owned by the State of Idaho that is normally and habitually open to the public.



# **Economic Development**

- H 433 STATE EMPLOYEES Establishes qualification equivalency for certain degree requirements through skills, capabilities, work, or relevant experience.
- **H 437** MIDWIFERY Provides for the licensure of midwifery to be under the board of nursing.
- <u>H 466</u> ARCHITECTS Provides that a firm offering to practice in Idaho shall identify an Idaho-licensed architect who will supervise such services.
- **H 527** PHARMACISTS Revises provisions regarding the licensure and practice of pharmacy.
- **S 1295** BARBERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS Exempts wig sellers from cosmetology licensure.
- <u>S 1297</u> LIENS OF MECHANIC AND MATERIALMEN Provides for liens to be enforced within six months of filing to ensure consistency and predictability.
- S 1301 CREDIT UNIONS Provides for the modernization of the Idaho Credit Union Act.
- <u>S 1352</u> COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS Provides that a counselor or therapist practicing in Idaho shall not be required to counsel a client in support of goals, outcomes, or behaviors that conflict with the sincerely held religious, moral, or ethical principles of the counselor or therapist.

### **Education**

- <u>H 422</u> CHARTER SCHOOLS Establishes the Accelerating Public Charter Schools Act to provide for public charter schools that operate independently from traditional schools.
- <u>H 450</u> EDUCATION Allows disbursements from school district activity funds through the use of a debit card.
- <u>H 452</u> EDUCATION Changes the distribution amount for the Idaho Digital Learning Academy funding and revises certain funding and distribution provisions.
- <u>H 454</u> ADVANCED OPPORTUNITIES SCHOLARSHIP Revises the limit on the amount that may be distributed under the Advanced Opportunities Scholarship for certain workforce training courses.
- EDUCATION Revises provisions regarding qualification and requirements for the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship; specifically, it eliminates the potential for duplication of funding for students who may qualify for the Idaho Launch Grant, providing that a student may only accept one; it allows Opportunity Scholarship funds to be used at an Idaho community college; and it revises the limit on the availability of Opportunity Scholarship funds for adult students to 5%.
- <u>H 529</u> EDUCATION Requires the superintendent of public instruction to authorize funding from the Public Charter School Revolving Loan Fund upon the approval of the Idaho Housing and Finance Association.
- <u>H 531</u> DRIVER'S EDUCATION Allows parents to provide on-road driver's training for their children and requires the Idaho Digital Learning Alliance to make certain driver's education curriculum available to all Idaho students.
- <u>H 566</u> EDUCATION Revises provisions regarding when a student can be exempted from certain required English language assessments.
- <u>H 581</u> EDUCATION Revises provisions regarding the powers of teachers in the classroom concerning when a teacher may physically escort a student out of class and when restraint or seclusion of a student must cease.



- **H 644** BOARD OF EDUCATION Revises the appointment procedures for the Board of Education, including establishing geographical representation of seats on the Board of Education.
- <u>H 645</u> SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF TRUSTEES Revises provisions regarding school board recall elections, vacancies, and quorums.
- <u>H 766</u> EDUCATION Amends existing law to provide that the Governor's appointment of the executive officer of the state board is subject to the advice and consent of the Senate, to revise provisions regarding School District Facilities Fund distributions and School Modernization Facilities Fund distributions, and to revise provisions regarding public charter school financial support and charter school authorizers. This was a trailer bill to <u>H 521</u>.
- <u>S 1274</u> HIGHER EDUCATION Prohibits institutions of higher education from requiring diversity statements as a condition of employment or admission.
- <u>S 1358a</u> EDUCATION Provides that certain qualified expenses for the Empowering Parents Grant program must be submitted for reimbursement, establishes provisions for reimbursements, and provides that unused funds may be forfeited by a participant.
- <u>S 1359</u> EDUCATION Increases Advanced Opportunities funding for both public school students and nonpublic school students, removes a spending cap for certain eligible courses, and revises provisions regarding the administration of the program for nonpublic school students.
- <u>S 1361a</u> EDUCATION Requires school district boards of trustees to adopt certain rules of procedure for the conduct of their meetings to ensure that patrons of a public school district or charter school have the ability to provide in-person public comment at regular meetings of school boards before the board takes final action on items.

# **Elections**

- <u>H 477</u> AUDITORIUM DISTRICTS Allows 15% of the qualified electors of an auditorium district to sign a petition to call an election to eliminate the district.
- <u>H 574</u> BOND AND LEVY ELECTIONS Requires certain disclosures in bond and levy elections that include information regarding state tax relief.
- <u>H 599</u> ELECTIONS Provides criminal penalties for certain ballot harvesting activities and provides certain exceptions for individuals to transport another person's ballot.
- <u>H 618</u> ELECTIONEERING MESSAGES Prohibits electioneering messages on certain government correspondence.
- <u>H 661</u> ELECTIONS Revises candidate filing deadlines for independent candidates for president and vice president.
- <u>S 1260</u> CITY ELECTIONS Provides that no election needs to be held for unopposed offices in cities with a population under 100,000.
- <u>S 1316</u> CEMETERY MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS Revises the number of registered electors required for a cemetery maintenance district to have commissioners elected at large.
- <u>S 1377</u> BALLOT MEASURES Requires paid signature gatherers to disclose that they are being paid and revises provisions regarding the collection of signatures for ballot measures.
- <u>S 1394</u> ELECTIONS Prohibits voting systems in Idaho from being able to connect to the internet, provides that tampering with any voting system will be a felony offense, provides the Secretary of State the authority to grant access to voting systems, requires county clerks to conduct voting system accuracy testing that are open to



the public prior to all elections, and updates outdated legacy voting system language.

# **General Government**

- <u>H 417</u> STATE GOVERNMENT AND STATE AFFAIRS Requires state agencies to accept cash as a method of payment and prohibits state agencies from charging an additional fee for cash payment.
- H 421 INDIVIDUAL'S SEX Defines male and female and related terms such as "sex" and "gender."
- <u>H 429</u> PERSI Provides that a purchase of membership service shall be made within 90 days prior to the date of retirement.
- **H 430** PERSI Provides for school employee member eligibility for disability retirement.
- <u>H 431</u> PERSI Revises a provision regarding contributions and investment earnings under supplemental benefit plans and provides for qualified after-tax contributions.
- **H 432** PERSI Establishes penalties for the disclosure of confidential member records.
- <u>H 478</u> ELECTRICAL CODE AND PLUMBING CODE Provides for local enforcement of the Idaho electrical code and the Idaho plumbing code.
- **H 487** PUBLIC UTILITIES Requires certain contracts to be honored by successor utilities.
- <u>H 490</u> OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES Revises provisions concerning fingerprint and criminal history background checks for certain professional licenses, aligns the procedures employed by the various boards and commissions governed by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses, and simplifies the fingerprinting process for applicants.
- **H 496** PROPERTY OWNERSHIP Exempts federally recognized Indian tribes from the definition of "foreign government," such that certain restrictions regarding real property do not apply, and clarifies that forest land is one of the kinds of property that a foreign government may not purchase.
- **H 498** LIABILITY FOR PUBLISHERS OR DISTRIBUTORS OF MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS ON THE INTERNET Establishes provisions to protect minors from harmful material on the internet.
- **<u>H 502</u>** FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND MORTICIANS Provides for the respectful disposition of certain unclaimed human remains.
- <u>H 508</u> PERSI Revises police officer member status by adding peace officer standards and training (POST) certified juvenile detention supervisors, juvenile probation supervisors, adult misdemeanor supervisors, emergency communications supervisors, and the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections to the Rule of 80 retirement plan.
- <u>H 538</u> CIVIL RIGHTS Prohibits governmental entities in the State of Idaho from compelling employees and students to use certain titles and pronouns.
- <u>H 572a</u> GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAMS Preempts laws regarding guaranteed income programs that are not expressly authorized by state statute.
- <u>H 580</u> MILITARY LEAVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES Establishes military leave for public school and public charter school employees.
- <u>H 588</u> PUBLIC RECORDS Provides deadlines for a public agency to produce records pursuant to a public records request.
- <u>H 593</u> PUBLIC DEFENDERS Provides for certain credited state service and utilization of unused paid time off for certain eligible nonclassified officers and employees hired by the Office of the State Public Defender.



- **H 601** LEGAL IMMUNITY Provides immunity for the security teams of religious organizations.
- <u>H 664</u> ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS Prohibits the publication of synthetic media in electioneering communications and provides for a cause of action to prohibit the publication of synthetic media in electioneering communications.
- <u>H 665</u> STATE GOVERNMENT Requires the State Treasurer to compile and prepare a report of state moneys invested in a foreign adversary.
- <u>H 686</u> EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW Revises personal eligibility conditions to qualify for unemployment benefits.
- <u>H 691</u> STATE GOVERNMENT Provides that notice of intent prior to an agreement taking effect shall be required when a state agency enters into an agreement of \$25 million or more.
- <u>S 1291</u> STATE GOVERNMENT Prohibits public entities from entering into contracts with entities that boycott certain industry sectors.
- **S 1381a** LIQUOR Establishes provisions regarding licenses issued to resort city restaurants.
- <u>S 1421</u> LIQUOR Clarifies and revises provisions regarding a license to retail liquor and the transfer and issuance of a license.

#### **Health and Human Services**

- <u>H 399</u> MATERNAL MORTALITY Authorizes the Board of Medicine to collect and report data and information concerning maternal mortality rates and requires an annual report to the Legislature.
- <u>H 518</u> MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL UNIT Revises duties of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit within the Attorney General's Office to allow investigation of a wider range of provider fraud and establishes penalties for violations.
- HEALTH Prohibits pelvic exams of anesthetized and unconscious patients except under certain circumstances.
- <u>H 578</u> ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE Prohibits religious discrimination in adoption and foster care cases and allows for claims for relief and damages.
- <u>H 596a</u> PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS Establishes parameters and standards for how pharmacy benefit managers operate in Idaho.
- **H 617** SYRINGE AND NEEDLE EXCHANGE Repeals the Syringe and Needle Exchange Act.
- <u>H 633</u> PUBLIC ASSISTANCE Modifies the length of eligibility for public assistance for pregnant women to allow them to receive assistance for twelve months postpartum without a gap in coverage.
- <u>H 668</u> NO PUBLIC FUNDS FOR GENDER TRANSITION Prohibits the use of public funds for medical treatment or surgeries for the purposes of changing the appearance of a person's sex in a way that is not consistent with their biological sex.
- <u>H 685</u> MEDICAID Creates the Medicaid Budget Stabilization Fund, which will receive unobligated General Fund moneys from the Division of Medicaid at the close of the fiscal year.
- <u>S 1234</u> INSURANCE Provides that health benefit plans covering prescription contraception must provide reimbursement for a six-month supply, except under certain circumstances.
- <u>S 1247a</u> HEALTH Provides for 24-hour holds for persons with major neurocognitive disorders experiencing an acute crisis.



- <u>S 1272</u> IDAHO SAFE HAVEN ACT Allows for the placement and use of newborn safety devices in certain facilities with 24/7 on-site staff.
- <u>S 1329</u> PARENTAL RIGHTS Provides for parental rights in medical decision-making of an unemancipated minor.
- <u>S 1379</u> CONGREGATE CARE Establishes parameters for the placement of a child in congregate care, short-term rental, or temporary shelter care settings.
- <u>S 1380</u> HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES Creates the Office of Health and Social Services Ombudsman to monitor and evaluate the provision of health and social services policies for children in the care of the state.

# **Natural Resources**

- <u>H 404</u> RECORDS Prevents individuals from obtaining the precise location of wildlife through a public records request for purposes of unfair chase, hunter harassment, or other inappropriate uses.
- <u>H 468</u> RANGELAND Directs the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to seek funding for and carry out grazing improvement projects statewide through the Grazing Board Central Committee.
- <u>H 507</u> TIMBER Requires a bond for any person or entity delaying or preventing the cutting or removal of timber by a purchaser of a Good Neighbor Authority sale.
- <u>H 591</u> CERVIDAE Provides for fencing and harvest during quarantine and provides for the application of quarantine to CWD-exposed, CWD-suspect, and CWD-positive herds and animals following an epidemiological investigation that confirms such status.
- <u>H 592</u> DEPREDATION Establishes a fund for conflict prevention and livestock depredation by grizzly bears and wolves. The fund will provide compensation to livestock owners and producers that have experienced livestock loss.
- <u>H 614a</u> FORESTS Provides for the duties and authority of the Idaho Department of Lands regarding the Good Neighbor Authority and creates a fund to carry out provisions of the Good Neighbor Authority policy.
- <u>H 687</u> KOOTENAI RIVER Commences the water adjudication process for the Kootenai River Basin in North Idaho.
- <u>S 1322</u> INVASIVE SPECIES Provides requirements for launch and transport of conveyances and provides that a portion of annual revenue deposited in the Invasive Species Fund may be made available to counties, cities, and other local entities for certain equipment and supplies.

### **Taxation**

- H 385 TAXATION Updates the definition of "Internal Revenue Code" to align with current federal law.
- <u>H 445</u> TAXATION Revises provisions regarding the accrual of interest on income and sales tax deficiencies to limit the time frame during which interest accrues where a tax deficiency is found by excluding interest during certain periods of time.
- <u>H 488</u> TAXATION Provides that a taxpayer's sworn statement that an expenditure was made for an identified deduction is conclusive proof to establish the taxpayer's right to the deduction.
- <u>H 521</u> TAXATION Provides state investment in school facilities through three main avenues. First, it dedicates \$125 million in ongoing sales tax revenue to the new School Modernization Facilities Fund for bonding, while providing the Legislature with expanded options to cover annual service on the bonds in the event of



economic downturns. Second, it increases the funding to the School District Facilities Fund to assist school districts with paying down school bonds, levies, and plant facility levies, with any remaining funds being used at the district level for additional school facility projects. Third, it reduces income taxes from 5.8% to 5.695%, allowing Idahoans to have more money to better support local bonds and levies related to school facilities. The Legislature through <u>H 766</u>, provided clarification on 4-day vs 5-day school attendance requirements, eligibility for School Facilities Fund distributions, and for charter school facility distributions.

#### Income Tax

<u>H 410</u> TAXATION – Clarifies that income earned on any Indian reservation in Idaho by enrolled tribal members who live outside the state is not subject to Idaho taxes.

### **Property Tax**

<u>H 449</u> TAXATION – Provides penalties for improper homestead exemption claims and provides for information-sharing with the Secretary of State to assist in determining a taxpayer's primary residence for voting and election purposes.

# **Transportation**

- <u>H 412</u> PORTS OF ENTRY Provides for the use of technology and procedures to allow certain vehicles to lawfully bypass a port of entry.
- **H 414** TRANSPORTATION Revises provisions regarding commercial driver's license permit fees, eligibility, and renewal.
- <u>H 532</u> IDENTIFICATION CARDS Removes a requirement that an individual must not have possessed a driver's license for the last six months to be eligible to receive a four-year, no-fee identification card.
- <u>H 533</u> COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES Provides that commercial motor vehicles may idle and use refrigeration in certain circumstances.
- **H 547** LICENSE PLATES Removes a fee for recipients of purple heart license plates.
- <u>H 583a</u> MOTOR VEHICLES Revises the definition of "resident" for vehicle registration, titling, driver's license, and identification card purposes.
- <u>H 610</u> TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT Provides an increased fine for a first violation of overtaking a school bus and misdemeanor penalties for second and subsequent violations.
- <u>S 1216</u> DRIVER'S LICENSES Provides that a driver's license shall be revoked or canceled under the same circumstances for which a driver's license shall not be issued.
- <u>S 1282</u> MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION Establishes provisions regarding temporary motor vehicle registration permits for owners who are attempting to sell a vehicle.
- <u>S 1317</u> LICENSE PLATES Allows for the establishment of specialty license plates for the benefit of the Idaho State Board of Education and establishes a Don't Tread on Me license plate to generate funds for an existing gun safety education program.
- <u>S 1365a</u> DRIVER'S LICENSES Establishes a next of kin database and a procedure for next of kin to be notified in the event of an emergency.

#### **Resolutions and Memorials**

HCR 027 HEALTH – Recognizes October 9, 2024, as PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day.



<u>HCR 030</u> MEDICAID – Directs the Department of Health and Welfare to develop, apply for, and report on waivers for Medicaid and to develop work requirements for waivers.

<u>HJR 005</u> ELECTIONS – Provides that individuals who are not citizens of the United States cannot vote in any election in the State of Idaho.

SCR 111 VETERINARIANS – Authorizes the State Board of Education to commence preliminary conversations with the State of Utah to establish an operating agreement for Idaho students to participate in Utah's veterinary program.

# FY 2024 Supplementals and FY 2025 Appropriations

In the 2024 Legislative Session, JFAC implemented a new structure for appropriation bills. Instead of consolidating the full budget of each agency into a single bill, JFAC introduced 10 omnibus bills, each of which covered a functional area of government: Constitutional Officers, Economic Development, General Government, Health and Human Services, the Legislative Branch, the Judicial Branch, Natural Resources, Public Safety, Public Schools, and the State Board of Education.

These omnibus bills featured maintenance level appropriations for state agencies. The maintenance appropriations included the previous year's funding levels with the following adjustments: excluding onetime appropriations, incorporation of changes to SWCAP, the addition of a 1% change in employee compensation, inflationary adjustments, and benefit cost changes.

Subsequent appropriation bills included an additional 2% change in employee compensation and any enhancements approved by JFAC.

# Change in Employee Compensation and Benefit Cost Changes (<a href="CEC">CEC</a>) – All Agency Budgets

The Legislature funded a total 3% increase in funding for change in employee compensation, of which all permanent employees shall receive a 1% salary increase with the remaining 2% to be distributed based on merit and flexibility for agency heads and institution presidents to distribute funds for recruitment and retention purposes. The increase did not include a compensation increase for group and temporary positions. Additionally, the Legislature shifted the pay schedule by an average of 3.7% but did not fund that shift.

The Legislature maintained the current employee health insurance benefit package with no significant changes in plan design. Appropriation levels for FY 2025 decreased to \$13,000 per FTP. The Office of Group Insurance has procured a new health insurance contract with Regence Blue Shield that will start in FY 2025. The Legislature maintained the current PERSI benefit package but included a rate increase for all members and extended the holiday for employers that contribute to the PERSI-managed sick leave plan for another year.

#### **Constitutional Officers**

<u>S 1267</u> FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS – Appropriates a total of \$72,055,000 and caps the number of FTP at 430.50 for the following agencies: Executive Office of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Attorney General, the State Controller, the Secretary of State, and the State Treasurer. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.



§ 1434 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – Appropriates an additional \$1,003,600 and authorizes an additional 1.40 FTP, which is a 3.0% increase from the maintenance budget. Enhancements include the elimination of the Fair Hearings Unit for cases now being heard at the Office of Administrative Hearings and the addition of a civil litigation and constitutional defense attorney, two energy and natural resources attorneys, and two Transportation Department attorneys. When added to the maintenance appropriation in § 1267, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Office of the Attorney General is \$34,126,500 and authorized FTP is capped at 229.40, which is a 2.8% increase from the FY 2024 appropriation.

# **Economic Development**

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Appropriates a total of \$1,320,620,800 and caps the number of FTP at 3,780.28 for the following agencies: the Department of Agriculture, the Soil and Water Conservation Commission, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Finance, the Idaho Industrial Commission, the Department of Insurance, the Department of Labor, the Public Utilities Commission, the Idaho Transportation Department, and agencies organized under the Department of Self-Governing Agencies. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

H 770 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – IIDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT – Appropriates an additional \$592,730,300 and authorizes an additional 53.00 FTP, which is a 76.2% increase from the maintenance budget. Enhancements include: funding for targeted CECs for pilots; airfield improvements; deferred maintenance projects including renovating its District 4 headquarters in Shoshone; and funding to renovate the State Street headquarters. Other enhancements include: 53.00 FTP for workforce planning, new equipment, and an increase in federal funds. Lastly, this bill provides funding for construction projects, road and bridge maintenance, safety and capacity projects, local bridge maintenance, and a \$502,800,000 cash transfer from the General Fund to ITD and the local units of government. When added to the maintenance appropriation in \$1270, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Idaho Transportation Department is \$1,370,226,100 and authorized FTP is capped at 1,645.00, which is a 4.4% increase from the FY 2024 appropriation.

§ 1372 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – Appropriates an additional \$16,800,900 and authorizes an additional 6.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 33.7% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in § 1270. Enhancements include: 1.00 FTP and \$215,000 for a veterinarian in eastern Idaho; 2.00 FTP and \$284,600 for dairy inspectors; 1.00 FTP and \$88,800 for seed lab personnel; \$67,500 to enhance the Idaho Preferred program; \$1,500,000 to build a storage facility; \$60,000 to provide international trade support with Japan; \$6,184,900 for the resilient food systems grant; \$94,500 to provide CEC for fruit and vegetable inspectors; \$5,700 for the Honey Commission; 2.00 FTP and \$11,569,900 for quagga mussel resources; \$1,381,700 for replacement items; and \$348,300 for the 2% CEC. The appropriation also includes the appropriation and transfer of \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to the Invasive Species Fund for quagga mussel resources.

**S 1373** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Appropriates an additional \$1,103,200, which is a 28.2% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in **S 1270**. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$75,400 for soil and water district distribution increase; \$1,000,000 for water quality program and agricultural project grants; and \$27,800 for an additional 2% CEC.

**S** 1386 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – IDAHO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Appropriates an additional \$2,2032,200, which is a 20.1% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in **S** 1270. Enhancements included additional staff support to enhance customer service at the Old Idaho Penitentiary and provides funding to promote Idaho through the America250 Project. America250 was also supported by the Legislature with passage of **HCR 031**. The appropriation total for ISHS for FY 2025 is \$12,120,000.

**S 1419** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF ADMINSISTATIVE HEARINGS – Appropriates an additional \$754,500 and authorizes an additional 5.00 FTP, which is a 90.4% increase from the maintenance



budget. Enhancements include funding for positions related to contested cases at the Department of Health and Welfare previously heard at the Office of the Attorney General. When added to the maintenance appropriation in <u>§ 1270</u>, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Office Administrative Hearings is \$1,589,000 and FTP is capped at 9.00, which is a 94.5% increase from the FY 2024 appropriation.

<u>S 1424</u> FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER – Appropriates an additional \$38,617,600 and authorizes an additional 299.00 FTP. Enhancements include funding for new state public defense employees paid through the Public Defense Fund and a new statewide case management system. When added to the maintenance appropriation in <u>S 1270</u>, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Office of the State Public Defender is \$52,015,300 and authorized FTP is capped at 316.00. The Office of the State Public Defender is a new agency for FY 2025 and replaces the abolished Public Defense Commission.

#### **General Government**

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – GENERAL GOVERNMENT – Appropriates a total of \$378,907,500 and caps the number of FTPs at 1,830.92 for the following agencies: Department of Administration, Office on Aging, Commission on the Arts, Blind and Visually Impaired Commission, Office of Energy and Mineral Resources, Division of Financial Management, Division of Human Resources, Office of Information Technology Services, State Liquor Division, Military Division, PERSI, Office of Species Conservation, STEM Action Center, Wolf Depredation Control Board, Workforce Development Council, Board of Tax Appeals, and State Tax Commission. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

H 648 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES – Appropriates an additional \$10,473,000 and authorizes an additional 45.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 43.3% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 549. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$539,900 for IT security services and equipment; \$328,100 for network equipment and services; \$986,000 for IT infrastructure; \$76,400 for IT architecture and GIS; \$30,000 for service vehicle leases; \$1,040,200 for onetime infrastructure replacement; \$1,500,000 for website development and maintenance transactions with the Department of Administration; and \$330,300 for an additional 2% CEC. This appropriation also includes 45.00 FTP and \$5,642,100 for the consolidation of IT services for the Department of Labor, Department of Lands, Military Division, Liquor Division, Public Defense Commission, and the Idaho State Historical Society.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF SPECIES CONSERVATION – Appropriates an additional \$113,000 and authorizes an additional 1.00 authorized FTP. Overall, the budget is a 0.6% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 459. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 1.00 and \$80,900 for a new fiscal staffer; \$5,000 for the agency to accept grants and donations; and \$27,100 for an additional 2% CEC.

H 714 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – STEM ACTION CENTERS – Reduces the maintenance appropriation by \$25,000, which is a 0.40% reduction over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 459. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: a reduction of \$40,000 for STEM library programming; \$3,000 for replacement items; and \$12,000 for an additional 2% CEC.

**H 715** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MILLENNIUM FUND – This bill provides funding to establish a statewide marketing program to create awareness on substance use issues and to promote prevention, especially for Idaho's youth. The bill also provides increased funding for prevention programs and provides requirements for not-for-profits that receive these funds.

H 722 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – Appropriates a total of \$71,199,600 and authorizes 3.00 additional FTP. Enhancements include the first year of funding for Idaho Launch grants for high school seniors from the In-Demand Careers Fund, as well as funding for grant managers. When added to the maintenance appropriation in H 459, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Workforce



Development Council is \$85,577,700 and authorized FTP is capped at 20.00.

H 768 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION – PERMANENT BUILDING FUND – Appropriates a total of \$174,908,300. Overall, the budget is a 5.5% decrease over the FY 2024 original appropriation. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$25,000,000 for construction of a secure mental health facility; \$345,000 for utilities connections for the National Guard's Orchard Readiness Center; \$7,000,000 for physician assistant facilities expansion for Idaho State University; \$6,115,000 for safety upgrades to the Mechanical-Technical Building and Wittman Complex at Lewis-Clark State College; \$6,000,000 for construction of additional residential cottages at the School for the Deaf and Blind; and \$1,000,000 for an insulated bus storage barn at the School for the Deaf and Blind. Four of the ten line items provide additional funding for existing projects, including: \$25,000,000 for an 848-bed female prison; \$13,000,000 for the new Science and Research Building at Boise State University; \$2,000,000 for the Meat Science and Innovation Center at the University of Idaho; and \$2,000,000 for the MOSS Campus at the University of Idaho. The bill also includes a \$23,000,000 transfer from the General Fund; repurposes appropriations for prior Department of Correction capital projects for the purchase of the Training & Development Center currently under a lease agreement; and repurposes contingency appropriation for previously authorized deferred maintenance projects for the construction of a minimum-security dorm at the Idaho Correctional Institution in Orofino and the physician assistant facilities expansion for Idaho State University.

# **Health and Human Services**

<u>S 1268</u> FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – Appropriates a total of \$5,084,837,800 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 2,738.34 for the following agencies: the Department of Health and Welfare and the State Independent Living Council. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – HEALTH AND WELFARE – PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES – Appropriates an additional \$26,122,100 to the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided to the Division of Public Health Services in \$\frac{\mathbb{S}}{1268}\$ and decreases the number of authorized FTP by 2.50. This bill funds 20 line items, which provide for a public health infrastructure grant; laboratory operating costs; laboratory information management modernization; a state loan repayment; a Maternal, Infant, and Early Child Home Visiting (MIECHV) program formula grant increase; data modernization; vital records modernization; Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) modernization; vital statistics modernization; funding for additional WIC staff; data processing modernization; immunization awards to public health districts and tribes; adult vaccine provider support; childhood lead poisoning prevention; Alzheimer's and dementia grants; rural physician loan repayment; disease investigation and control; data analytics personnel funding; HIV Care program receipt authority; and Ryan White Part B supplemental grant funding. In addition, this bill moves ongoing funding to onetime funding for multiple programs; removes COVID grant funding; and removes funding for sex education grants. This bill also provides mid-year adjustments for FY 2024, which include: HIV Care program receipt authority and transfers between expense classes.

§ 1456 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – HEALTH AND WELFARE – MEDICAID – Provides a mid-year \$277,954,700 reduction to the FY 2024 budget, of which \$92,807,600 is from the General Fund. Contributing factors to the lower-than-anticipated costs include the end of the public health emergency and drops in utilization and enrollment. Other mid-year adjustments include an increase of \$169,500,000 for greater-than-anticipated hospital assessment revenue. This appropriation allows the division to receive and transmit Medicaid reimbursements to Idaho hospitals. This bill appropriates an additional \$253,212,900 to the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided to the Division of Medicaid in \$\frac{1268}{21268}\$ and increases the number of authorized FTP by 24.50. This bill funds seven line items, which provide: funding and FTP for new staff division-wide; provider rate adjustments; intermediate care facility rate adjustments; an MMIS vendor annual increase; personal care services case management; MMIS procurement year 2; and the Millennium Fund Committee recommendation to provide a



onetime offset for claims payments. This bill also adds General Fund moneys and removes federal funds for the impacts of the anticipated FMAP, as well as other nondiscretionary adjustments.

### **Judicial Branch**

H 457 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – JUDICIAL BRANCH – Appropriates a total of \$88,474,300 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 402.00 for the following agencies: Court Operations, Guardian ad Litem, and the Judicial Council. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

H 765 FY 2025 APPROPRIATIONS – JUDICIAL BRANCH – Appropriates an additional \$8,952,200 which is a 10.1% increase from the maintenance appropriation. Enhancements include funding for 58.75 court technology positions to be paid through the General Fund. Of the funded positions, 52.75 were previously paid from the Court Technology Fund. This appropriation also includes enhancements for five statewide administrative support positions, Guardian Ad Litem passthrough funds for court appointed special advocate programs, and Judicial Council support. When added to the maintenance appropriation in H 457, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Judicial Branch is \$97,426,500, which is an 7.9% increase from the FY 2024 appropriation.

# **Legislative Branch**

H 475 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – LEGISLATIVE BRANCH – Appropriates a total of \$11,566,500 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 82.00 for the following agencies: Legislative Services Office and Office of Performance Evaluations. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

### **Natural Resources**

**S 1269** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – NATURAL RESOURCES – Appropriates a total of \$525,672,500 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 1,639.07 for the following agencies: the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Fish and Game, the Board of Land Commissioners, the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Department of Water Resources. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME – Appropriates an additional \$16,953,100 and authorizes an additional 3.00 authorized FTP. Overall, the budget is a 12.89% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in \$\frac{\mathbb{S}}{1269}\$. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$390,600 for salary inflation for temporary employees; \$500,000 for conservation officer operating costs; 1.00 FTP and \$157,800 and funding for grizzly bear conflict management; \$1,790,400 for the restoration of habitat along the Pahsimeroi River; 2.00 FTP and \$159,300 for depredation prevention program staffing; \$750,000 to overhaul the agency's website; \$321,700 for fish screen fabrication and placement; \$125,000 for wildlife migration staff; \$108,500 to align appropriation for revenues from wildlife license plates; \$1,600,000 for a conservation easement in Elmore County; \$450,000 for wildlife crossing-migration initiatives; \$1,800,000 for improvements to the agency's Pocatello office; \$325,000 for fish habitat restoration projects; \$5,958,000 for replacement items and \$954,400 for a 2% CEC.

§ 1383 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION – Appropriates an additional \$31,655,900, which is a 56.2% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in § 1269. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 7.00 FTP and \$457,800 for additional park personnel; \$200,000 to increase seasonal employee pay for park personnel; \$300,000 for park operations costs; \$500,000 for OHV law enforcement passthrough support; \$75,000 for a trailer to be used for the motorized trails program; \$150,000 for a



responsible OHV media campaign; \$100,000 for snowmobile signage and trail markers; \$1,800,000 for construction at the Farragut State Park; \$4,500,000 for statewide RV improvements; \$400,000 for utility upgrades at Lake Walcott State Park; \$250,000 for a shoreline erosion grant at Lake Cascade State Park; \$20,000,000 for recreation council and infrastructure improvements; \$2,676,000 for replacement items; and \$247,100 for an additional 2% CEC.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – IDAHO LAND BOARD – Appropriates a total of \$12,466,000 and reduces the authorized FTP by 9.67 relative to the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in \$1269. Enhancements for FY 2025 Department of Lands include: \$500,000 for East Idaho District fire equipment; \$250,000 for operating costs within the fire program; \$506,600 for tree seedling coolers; 0.33 FTP and \$27,000 for fire program staffing; 3.00 FTP and \$367,600 for staffing within the Good Neighbor Authority; \$2,000,000 for operating costs within the Good Neighbor Authority; 1.00 FTP and \$80,400 for the forestry assistant program; \$27,000 for fire program equipment; \$24,000 for recreation program equipment; \$45,500 for a vehicle for GIS equipment; \$25,200 for staff computers; \$3,950,000 to purchase land for the Veterans Cemetery; \$17,000,000 for the Fire Suppression Deficiency Fund; \$1,000,000 for bonuses for Department of Lands firefighters; \$610,900 for the Timber Protective Association; \$62,000 onetime to continue support for the department's contract with the Idaho Geological Survey at the University of Idaho; \$2,055,100 for replacement items; \$548,700 for an additional 2% CEC; and a reduction of 14.00 FTP and an increase of \$97,000 for consolidation with the Office of Information Technology.

Enhancements for FY 2025 Endowment Fund Investment Board includes: \$6,800 to replace computer equipment and \$12,200 for an additional 2% CEC. Overall, the resulting budget for the Endowment Fund Investment Board is a 2.8% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in \$1269.

The bill also appropriates and transfers \$17,000,000 from the General Fund to the Fire Suppression Deficiency Warrant Fund, a continuously appropriated fund utilized by the agency for the fighting of range and forest fires.

**S 1411** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – Appropriates an additional \$663,400, which is a 0.9% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in **S 1269**. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$716,000 from the Revolving Development Fund for aquifer monitoring and measuring; \$19,900 for the relocation of the Salmon field office; \$90,000 for Laserfiche conversion; \$41,100 for Google Earth computing costs; \$19,600 for GIS mapping licenses; \$30,000,000 from the General Fund for water infrastructure projects; \$206,500 for replacement items; and \$286,300 for the 2% CEC. The appropriation also includes the transfer of \$30,000,000 from the General Fund to the Water Management Fund for large water projects at the direction of the Idaho Water Resources Board.

Finally, the bill includes two FY 2024 supplemental actions, including the appropriation of \$25,502,500 from the ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Fund that was inadvertently reverted by the agency but has been committed to large water projects. The supplemental action also includes the adoption of language pertaining to the use of adjudication filing fees. The FY 2025 appropriation also includes this language, and reappropriation language for the ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Fund.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY – Appropriates an additional \$2,884,100 and authorizes an additional 6.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 1.7% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in \$\frac{\mathbb{S}}{1269}\$. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$342,800 for rental increases for the agency's state headquarters; 1.00 FTP and \$133,200 for a solid waste engineer; 1.00 FTP and \$102,500 for a rules and planning analyst; 1.00 FTP and \$101,900 for a grant officer; 1.00 FTP and \$367,200 for an IPDES data analyst; 2.00 FTP and \$776,100 for the Gem State Air Quality Initiative; \$1,500,000 for the superfund cleanup project and transfers said funds from the Water Pollution Control Fund to the Environmental Remediation (Basin) Fund as part of federal match requirements; \$1,140,400 for increased operating costs at the Bunker Hill superfund site; and a net-zero transfer of \$555,000 to align fund sources for operating costs at the Bunker Hill superfund site; \$2,000,000 for confined animal feeding operation grants and transfers said funds; a reduction of \$758,900 to align appropriations with available cash; and \$678,900 for an additional 2% CEC.



# **Public Safety**

**S 1266** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – PUBLIC SAFETY – Appropriates a total of \$514,431,800 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 3,275.61 for the following agencies: Department of Correction, Commission for Pardons and Parole, Department of Juvenile Corrections, Idaho State Police, Idaho Racing Commission, Idaho Brand Board, and POST. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – IDAHO STATE POLICE – Appropriates an additional \$11,810,000 to the four divisions of the Idaho State Police: the Brand Board, the Idaho State Police, the POST Academy, and the Racing Commission. Enhancements include: funding for instrument maintenance agreements, additional IT bandwidth, a funds shift from the Highway Distribution Account to the General Fund, Microsoft 365 licenses, radio dispatch consoles, SQL server licenses, additional appropriation for federal funds, a net-zero budget realignment, a training mission, sexual assault cold cases, watercraft inspection stations, a fund shift for employee health care, a pay increase for contract employees, and replacement items. When added to the maintenance appropriation in § 1266, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Idaho State Police is \$111,138,200 and authorized FTP is capped at 685.76, which is a 7.8% increase from the FY 2024 appropriation.

§ 1451 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION – Appropriates an additional \$18,984,200 and authorizes an additional 84.00 FTP, which is a 5.4% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance budget. Enhancements include: funding for a training center lease, 84.00 FTP including training and development supervisors, an internal affairs investigator, a public records position, staff for the new community reentry center in Pocatello, additional instructors, work projects staffing, a drug and alcohol rehab specialist, additional staff to expand community reentry, probation and parole officers, and 2.0 FTP for treatment of behavioral health; funding for ongoing maintenance of the Atlas system, increase to starting pay for correctional and probation and parole officers, an increase in county and out-of-state population-driven costs, a reduction in the medical services contract, and replacement items. This bill also appropriates a total of \$683,400 for six FY 2024 supplemental appropriations. When added to the maintenance appropriation in § 1266, the total FY 2025 appropriation to the Idaho Department of Correction is \$372,329,500 and authorized FTP is capped at 2,254.85, which is a 5.1% increase over the FY 2024 appropriation.

### **Public Schools**

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – Appropriates a total of \$3,071,699,000 for the following divisions: administrators, teachers, operations, children's programs, facilities, central services, and educational services for the deaf and the blind (IESDB). For IESDB, this bill includes maintenance adjustments that include personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for noncertificated employees. The bill also provides a 1% CEC for administrators and classified positions and retains the \$6,359 of additional career ladder funding for teachers and pupil service staff in public schools and at IESDB.

<u>H 719</u> FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND (IESDB) – In addition to the maintenance appropriation provided in <u>H 460</u>, IESDB received a commensurate increase to ensure its instructional staff maintain a comparable placement on the career ladder, a 3% CEC for non-instructional staff, and funding to replace four vehicles with high mileage. The appropriation total for IESDB for FY 2025 is \$15,614,800.

H 749, H 757, H 761, and H 763

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT



PROGRAM – For the current year, the Legislature adjusted the appropriation by reallocating at least \$105,000,000 from salary-based apportionment programs to discretionary funding for the current fiscal year only. Remaining funds from the current year were reallocated with \$20,000,000 for school facilities using per-student distributions and \$20,000,000 for the Career Ready Students Program.

For FY 2025, the Legislature adjusted the appropriation from 16,850 support units to 16,154 support units, retained the \$6,359 per instructional staff of additional career ladder compensation in **H** 460, and increased the discretionary funding amount by \$63,567,300 (or 20.1%) for a per support unit distribution of \$23,472. The apportionment amount for classified and administrative staff was increased by 3%, and the administrators, operations, and children's programs were consolidated into a new Student Support Division. The Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA) became its own division within public schools and received funding through a new per student formula, approved in **H** 452. Finally, the Legislature with passage of **H** 521 and clarification in **H** 766, increased the amount of facility support or tax relief funding by \$76,777,200 for a FY 2025 distribution total of \$202,978,700. The appropriation total for all public schools, including IESDB, is \$3,287,044,800; of which \$2,935,939,300 is from state funds. For FY 2025, state funds increased by 3.9% or \$110,595,500.

# **State Board of Education**

H 458 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – MAINTENANCE – STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – Appropriates a total of \$1,061,492,200 and caps the number of authorized FTP at 510.69 for the following agencies: agricultural research and extension services, college and universities, community colleges, Office of the State Board of Education, health education programs, Division of Career Technical Education, Idaho Public Television, special programs, the Department of Education, vocational rehabilitation, and the Charter School Commission. This bill includes maintenance adjustments for personnel benefit costs, inflation, statewide cost allocation, and a 1% CEC for state employees.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS – Appropriates an additional \$574,100 and authorizes an additional 2.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 0.6% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 459. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$60,000 for a new resident at the Boise Internal Medicine Residency Program; \$240,000 for new medical residents at the Eastern Idaho Medical Residency Program; \$60,000 for a new resident in the Family Medical Residency Program; 2.00 FTP and \$120,000 for two new residents in the Family Medical Residency Program; and \$94,100 for the 2% CEC.

FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – SPECIAL PROGRAMS – Appropriates an additional \$936,400 and authorizes an additional 1.28 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 2.7% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 458. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 0.50 FTP and \$26,000 for a new administrative specialist within the Forest Utilization Research program; 0.19 FTP and \$17,900 to partially support a database manager within the Idaho Geological Survey program; \$20,600 for increased operating costs at the Idaho Museum of Natural History; \$749,600 for year three of the Rural Educator Incentive program within the Scholarships and Grants program; 0.50 FTP and \$30,700 for a rural business consultant for small business development centers; 0.09 FTP and \$12,600 to partially fund a position within the Studio Blu consortium between TechHelp, Boise State University, and other industry; a net-zero transfer to realign funding within the GEARUP Program within the Scholarships and Grants program; and \$79,000 for an additional 2% CEC.

**H 693** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION – Appropriates an additional \$2,254,300 and authorizes an additional 6.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 2.4% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in **H 458**. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$240,000 for expansion of the program inventory system; 6.00 FTP and \$815,700 for new educator training program staff; \$150,000 to increase fire service training hours; and \$1,048,600 for an additional 2% CEC.

<u>H 698</u> FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – Appropriates an additional \$1,712,900 and authorizes an additional 10.00 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 3.5%



increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in <u>H 458</u>. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 3.00 FTP and \$285,500 from the In-Demand Career Fund for college/career training coordinators; 1.00 FTP and \$115,200 for a senior IT business analyst; 1.00 FTP and \$117,700 for a new data governance manager; 4.00 FTP and \$520,900 to transfer risk managers to OSBE; \$30,000 for a used vehicle; \$126,400 for a Lumina grant; 1.00 and \$119,700 for a higher education safety and security analyst; \$250,000 one-time to support the arts education grant program; and \$147,500 for the 2% CEC. This bill also included a FY 2024 supplemental appropriation that provides \$30,800 for direct admissions funding.

H 703 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION SERVICE – Appropriates an additional \$1,261,000 and authorizes an additional 2.37 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 3.4% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 458. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 0.37 FTP and \$232,600 for operational costs at the Idaho Center for Plant and Soil Health in Parma; 2.00 FTP and \$322,200 for two new faculty/research positions for irrigation and forestry studies; \$142,000 for adult computer literacy; and \$564,200 for an additional 2% CEC.

**H 733** FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGES – Appropriates an additional \$2,749,900, which is a 5.0% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in **H 458**. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: \$1,829,800 for operational capacity enhancements; \$150,000 for POST training capacity; and an addition of \$869,900 for the 2% CEC and a reduction of \$99,800 for nondiscretionary adjustments.

H 734 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES – Appropriates an additional \$15,892,300 and authorizes an additional 25.25 FTP. Overall, the budget is a 2.3% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 458. Enhancements for FY 2025 include: 29.25 FTP and \$6,995,400 for capacity enhancements; a reduction of 4.00 FTP and \$489,000 to transfer risk management staff to the Office of the State Board of Education; \$1,039,500 for endowment adjustments; \$9,208,400 for the 2% CEC; and \$569,000 for nondiscretionary adjustments related to the enrollment workload adjustment.

H 762 FY 2025 APPROPRIATION – STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – The State Department of Education received an additional \$27,560,700 and 2.50 FTP, which is a 62.8% increase over the FY 2025 maintenance appropriation provided in H 458; of the increase 89.2% is for onetime purposes. This included additional staff support to ensure accurate accounting of student counts at public schools, to assist schools and school leaders in the North region of the state, to better address and handle suicides in public schools, to support public schools in their final year of COVID-19 relief funding, funding to assist low performing charter schools, and an additional \$20,000,000 for the Career Ready Students Program that provides CTE equipment to rural schools. The appropriation total for the department for FY 2025 is \$66,113,000 and 126.50 FTP.



# General Fund Comparison Original Appropriation to Governor's Recommendation & JFAC Action

	FY 2024	FY 2025 Gov's	Change	FY 2025 Difference Difference			Channe
Department/Agency	Orig Approp	Revised Rec	from 2024	JFAC Action	from Gov	from 2024	Change from 2024
Education	опу другор	Nevised Nec	110111 2024	or no notion	110111 001	110111 2024	110111 2024
Public School Support	2,698,842,500	2,711,337,500	0.596	2,651,908,900	(59,428,600)	(46,933,600)	(1.7%)
State Board of Education							, ,
Ag Research and Ext. Service	36,798,300	37,966,900	3.296	37,966,900	0	1,168,600	3.2%
College and Universities	353,942,200	363,139,400	2.696	365,098,400	1,959,000	11,156,200	3.2%
Community Colleges	60,910,500	63,285,200	3.9%	63,935,200	650,000	3,024,700	5.0%
Office of the State Board of Ed.	41,353,500	46,446,600	12.3%	46,161,100	(285,500)	4,807,600	11.6%
Health Education Programs Career Technical Education	26,845,500	27,844,400	3.796	27,830,000	(14,400)	984,500	3.7% 3.5%
Idaho Public Television	76,509,300 2,933,900	79,153,900 3,016,600	3.596 2.896	79,153,900 3,016,600	0	2,644,600 82,700	2.8%
Special Programs	29,138,000	30,083,600	3.2%	30,083,600	0	945,600	3.2%
Department of Education	14,778,500	56.924.300	285.296	12,530,400	(44,393,900)	(2.248.100)	(15.2%)
Vocational Rehabilitation	5,172,200	5,307,300	2,696	5,272,700	(34,600)	100,500	1.9%
Charter School Commission	190,100	193,000	1.596	193,000	Ó	2,900	1.5%
Health and Human Services							
Department of Health and Welfare	214,020,500	222,944,800	4.296	221,107,000	(1,837,800)	7,086,500	3.3%
Division of Medicaid	856,366,900	847,634,300	(1.0%)	920,383,700	72,749,400	64,016,800	7.5%
State Independent Living Council	259,900	263,600	1.496	263,600	0	3,700	1.4%
Public Safety	201 555 575						
Department of Correction Judicial Branch	321,777,700	333,300,800	3.6%	333,300,800	0	11,523,100	3.6%
Department of Juvenile Corrections	62,453,600	72,475,600	16.096 1.396	72,544,500 49,175,800	68,900	10,090,900	16.2% 1.3%
Idaho State Police	48,566,000 51,849,700	49,175,800 63,728,600	22.996	62,314,200	(1.414.400)	10,464,500	20.2%
Natural Resources	51,849,700	03,728,000	22.9%	02,314,200	(1,414,400)	10,404,500	20.2%
Department of Environmental Quality	26.108.900	27.806.400	6.596	27.313.500	(492,900)	1.204.600	4.6%
Department of Lands	10,414,800	16,049,100	54.196	16,939,800	890,700	6,525,000	62.7%
Department of Parks and Recreation	3,915,000	4.035,400	3.196	4.035,400	0	120,400	3.1%
Department of Water Resources	23,935,400	24,212,200	1.296	24,212,200	0	276,800	1.2%
Economic Development							
Department of Agriculture	13,084,900	15,511,800	18.596	15,011,800	(500,000)	1,926,900	14.7%
Soil and Water Conservation Comm.	3,519,800	3,592,200	2.196	4,592,200	1,000,000	1,072,400	30.5%
Department of Commerce	6,669,000	5,901,600	(11.5%)	5,901,600	0	(767,400)	(11.5%)
Industrial Commission Department of Labor	294,000	294,000	0.0%	294,000	0	0	0.0%
Self Governing Agencies	595,000	607,200	2.1%	607,200	0	12,200	2.1%
Commission on Hispanic Affairs	272.200	275.000	1.096	275,000	0	2.800	1.0%
Historical Society	4.434.100	6.278,900	41.6%	6,278,900	0	1.844.800	41.6%
Commission for Libraries	4,618,800	4,764,100	3.196	4,764,100	0	145,300	3.1%
PDC/Office of the State Public Defender		13,435,300	(18.3%)	16,485,300	3,050,000	43,900	0.3%
State Appellate Public Defender	3,951,000	4,081,700	3.396	4,081,700	0	130,700	3.3%
Division of Veterans Services	1,646,200	1,714,800	4.296	1,714,800	0	68,600	4.2%
Office of Administrative Hearings	816,900	1,589,000	94.596	1,589,000	0	772,100	94.5%
Health and Social Services Ombudsman				470,000	470,000	470,000	-
General Government							
Department of Administration Attorney General	2,692,000	2,739,700	1.8%	2,709,700	(30,000)	17,700	0.7%
Attorney General State Controller	30,587,600	31,700,700	3.6%	31,334,200	(366,500)	746,600	2.4%
Office of the Governor	13,845,700	16,402,600	18.5%	13,967,100	(2,435,500)	121,400	0.9%
Commission on Aging	5,361,600	6,285,200	17.2%	6,285,200	0	923,600	17.2%
Commission on the Arts	982,800	933,400		933,400	0	(49,400)	
Commission for the Blind	1,693,100	1,964,900	16.1%	1,964,900	ő	271,800	16.1%
Office of Drug Policy	370,000	376,200	1.796	376,200	0	6,200	1.7%
Division of Financial Management	2,158,600	2,228,200	3.296	2,228,200	Ö	69,600	3.2%
Executive Office of the Governor	2,565,200	2,881,300	12.3%	2,881,300	0	316,100	12.3%
Office of Information Technology	2,359,600	2,506,000	6.296	2,506,000	0	146,400	6.2%
Military Division	9,247,100	8,880,300	(4.0%)	8,880,300	0	(366,800)	(4.0%)
Office of Species Conservation	1,730,600	1,766,500	2.1%	1,766,500	0	35,900	2.1%
STEM Action Center	3,292,900	3,319,200	0.8%	3,279,200	(40,000)	(13,700)	(0.4%)
Wolf Depredation Control Board	392,000	392,000	0.0%	392,000	0	0	0.0%
Legislative Branch Legislative Transfer	0.511.000	8,511,000	0.096	0.511.000	_	_	0.007
Legislative Transfer Legislative Services Office	8,511,000 8,060,800	8,511,000 8,474,400	0.0% 5.1%	8,511,000 8,871,700	397,300	810,900	0.0% 10.1%
Office of Performance Evaluations	1,063,900	1.083.600	1.9%	1,083,600	397,300	19,700	1.9%
Lieutenant Governor	296,000	298,600	0.9%	298,600	0	2,600	0.9%
Department of Revenue and Taxation	250,000	230,000	0.574	250,000	J	2,000	0.570
Board of Tax Appeals	662,200	685,200	3.5%	656,000	(29,200)	(6,200)	(0.9%)
State Tax Commission	45,351,100	44,251,500	(2.4%)	44,251,500	0	(1,099,600)	(2.4%)
Secretary of State	14,764,600	5,742,200	(61.1%)	5,233,800	(508,400)	(9,530,800)	(64.6%)
State Treasurer	1,622,100	1,646,000	1.5%	1,646,000	0	23,900	1.5%
State Heaster	5,181,036,700					85,826,500	

