

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22180

This legislation addresses the transportation funding shortfall identified by the eleven member "Governor's Task Force on Modernizing Transportation Funding in Idaho" which met nine times in a period of 15 months from August 2009 to November 2010. The task force received testimony and presentations on transportation funding needs from national experts, transportation-related organizations, state and local governments and members of the public. The task force confirmed Idaho's significant and growing transportation funding shortfall. Through surveys, members acknowledged the following averaged additional amounts are needed:

- \$155 million annually for operation, preservation and restoration for the state system
- \$107 million annually for operation, preservation and restoration of the local system
- \$207 million annually for capacity and safety enhancement for the state system
- \$74 million annually for capacity and safety enhancement for the local system

This legislation creates approximately \$162 million annually to be deposited into the highway distribution account created in Section 40-701, Idaho Code. The public's primary expectation of the system is that it is safe, efficient, and open for business. This legislation has a five (5) year sunset clause.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation creates approximately \$162 million annually to be deposited into the highway distribution account created in Section 40-701, Idaho Code.

No impact to the general fund.

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