

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 326

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE STEM ACTION CENTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016; LIMITING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; AND PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the STEM Action Center the following amounts to be expended according to the designated expense classes from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016:

	FOR PERSONNEL COSTS	FOR OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY	TOTAL
FROM:				
General				
Fund	\$229,800	\$309,500	\$8,000	\$547,300
Miscellaneous Revenue				
Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,000</u>
TOTAL	\$229,800	\$409,500	\$8,000	\$647,300

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the STEM Action Center is authorized no more than two (2) full-time equivalent positions at any point during the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, unless specifically authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the Legislature that to promote the expansion of student engagement in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) within Idaho schools, the STEM Action Center will strive to coordinate with other agencies that receive moneys for STEM education, and where practicable, administer those moneys. Additionally, the STEM Action Center will encourage financial contributions from industry and other potential sources to accomplish its goals as outlined in Section 67-823, Idaho Code.