LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
Sixty-sixth Legislature First Regular Session - 2021

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1199

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT
RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING MONEYS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE IDAHO BROADBAND FUND; APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING MONEYS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE IDAHO OPPORTUNITY FUND; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FROM THE IDAHO BROADBAND FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FROM THE FEDERAL COVID-19 RELIEF FUND FOR THE IDAHO FOODBANK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FROM THE FEDERAL COVID-19 RELIEF FUND FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; PROVIDING REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FROM THE IDAHO BROADBAND FUND; PROVIDING REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FROM THE FEDERAL COVID-19 RELIEF FUND; PROVIDING OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer $35,000,000 from the General Fund to the Idaho Broadband Fund as soon as practicable for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer $1,000,000 from the General Fund to the Idaho Opportunity Fund as soon as practicable for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. In addition to the appropriation made in Section 1, Chapter 236, Laws of 2020, and any other appropriation provided by law, there is hereby appropriated to the Department of Commerce $35,000,000 from the Idaho Broadband Fund to be expended for trustee and benefit payments for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for the purpose of providing financial assistance in broadband infrastructure.

SECTION 4. In addition to the appropriation made in Section 1, Chapter 236, Laws of 2020, and any other appropriation provided by law, there is hereby appropriated to the Department of Commerce $3,600,000 from the Federal COVID-19 Relief Fund to be expended for trustee and benefit payments for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for the Idaho Foodbank.

SECTION 5. In addition to the appropriation made in Section 1, Chapter 236, Laws of 2020, and any other appropriation provided by law, there is hereby appropriated to the Department of Commerce $10,000,000 from the Federal COVID-19 Relief Fund to be expended for trustee and benefit payments for
the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for the purpose of providing financial assistance in broadband infrastructure.

SECTION 6. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE IDAHO BROADBAND FUND. There is hereby reappropriated to the Department of Commerce any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated to the Department of Commerce from the Idaho Broadband Fund for fiscal year 2021 to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to providing financial assistance in broadband infrastructure for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. 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.

SECTION 7. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE FEDERAL COVID-19 RELIEF FUND. There is hereby reappropriated to the Department of Commerce any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated to the Department of Commerce from the Federal COVID-19 Relief Fund for the purpose of providing financial assistance in broadband infrastructure for fiscal year 2021, in an amount not to exceed $10,000,000, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to providing financial assistance in broadband infrastructure for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. 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.

SECTION 8. OVERSIGHT OF MONEYS. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Idaho Broadband Advisory Board shall have oversight authority over the distribution or expenditure of the moneys appropriated in Section 5 of this act and reappropriated in Section 7 of this act.

SECTION 9. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after passage and approval.