

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS29877 / S1423

This is a FY 2022 supplemental appropriation and FY 2023 trailer appropriation bill for the Department of Agriculture. For the FY 2022 supplemental appropriation, additional funds are added for three invasive species watercraft checkpoints at existing check stations on ITD property. The three locations would be Cotterell Port of Entry/Rest Area on I-86, Malad Rest Area on I-15, and Cedars Maintenance Shed on I-90. The FY 2023 trailer appropriation is to address the impacts of S1380, which created the Rural Veterinarian Loan Repayment Program and would pay for education-related debts for veterinarians providing care for agriculture production animals in rural areas.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill provides an additional appropriation of \$600,000 onetime from the General Fund in FY 2022 for the invasive species watercraft checkpoints. It also provides an additional \$2,500 in personnel costs and \$247,500 in trustee and benefit payments for a total of \$250,000 ongoing from the General Fund for the Rural Veterinarian Loan Repayment program.

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