

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 304

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1
 2 RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME; APPROPRI-
 3 ATING MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024;
 4 LIMITING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; PRO-
 5 VIDING DEDICATED FUND REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FEDERAL
 6 FUND REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY; DIRECTING ACQUISITION OF SHOOTING
 7 RANGE PROPERTY OWNED BY KOOTENAI COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR ACCOUNTABILITY
 8 REPORTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

10 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Fish and
 11 Game the following amounts to be expended according to the designated pro-
 12 grams and expense classes from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2023,
 13 through June 30, 2024:

	FOR	FOR	FOR	FOR	
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	TRUSTEE AND	
	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	BENEFIT	TOTAL
				PAYMENTS	
18	I. ADMINISTRATION:				
19	FROM:				
20	Fish and Game				
21	Fund	\$5,488,700	\$4,384,600	\$3,990,900	\$13,864,200
22	Fish and Game (Other)				
23	Fund	882,200	120,200		1,002,400
24	Fish and Game Set-Aside				
25	Fund		34,100		34,100
26	Fish and Game Set-Aside (Other)				
27	Fund		14,800		14,800
28	Expendable Big Game Depredation				
29	Fund		2,900		2,900
30	Fish and Game Expendable Trust				
31	Fund		7,800		7,800
32	Fish and Game Nonexpendable Trust				
33	Fund		3,600		3,600
34	Fish and Game (Federal)				
35	Fund	<u>4,058,900</u>	<u>4,840,200</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,899,100</u>
36	TOTAL	\$10,429,800	\$9,408,200	\$3,990,900	\$23,828,900

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	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	BENEFIT	
				PAYMENTS	
5	II. ENFORCEMENT:				
6	FROM:				
7	Fish and Game				
8	Fund	\$12,466,800	\$2,407,200	\$690,000	\$15,564,000
9	Fish and Game (Other)				
10	Fund	172,900	77,000		249,900
11	Fish and Game Set-Aside (Other)				
12	Fund		20,600		20,600
13	Fish and Game Expendable Trust				
14	Fund		26,400		26,400
15	Fish and Game (Federal)				
16	Fund	<u>9,600</u>	<u>6,700</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,300</u>
17	TOTAL	\$12,649,300	\$2,537,900	\$690,000	\$15,877,200
18	III. FISHERIES:				
19	FROM:				
20	Fish and Game				
21	Fund	\$4,648,400	\$7,293,600	\$392,000	\$12,334,000
22	Fish and Game (Other)				
23	Fund	3,319,000	11,470,600		14,789,600
24	Fish and Game Set-Aside				
25	Fund	384,900	577,500		962,400
26	Fish and Game Set-Aside (Other)				
27	Fund	62,300	100,700		163,000
28	Fish and Game Expendable Trust				
29	Fund	48,000	334,200	128,000	510,200
30	Fish and Game Nonexpendable Trust				
31	Fund		33,200		33,200
32	Fish and Game (Federal)				
33	Fund	<u>15,743,800</u>	<u>14,035,100</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>29,778,900</u>
34	TOTAL	\$24,206,400	\$33,844,900	\$520,000	\$58,571,300

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	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	TRUSTEE AND		
	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	BENEFIT		
				PAYMENTS		
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5	IV. WILDLIFE:					
6	FROM:					
7	Fish and Game					
8	Fund	\$6,954,400	\$6,523,200	\$41,000	\$174,800	\$13,693,400
9	Fish and Game (Other)					
10	Fund	498,600	937,300			1,435,900
11	Fish and Game Set-Aside					
12	Fund	158,500	3,666,000			3,824,500
13	Fish and Game Set-Aside (Other)					
14	Fund	690,400	325,300			1,015,700
15	Expendable Big Game Depredation					
16	Fund			1,800,000		1,800,000
17	Fish and Game Expendable Trust					
18	Fund	294,700	903,600			1,198,300
19	Fish and Game Nonexpendable Trust					
20	Fund	11,500	2,300			13,800
21	Fish and Game (Federal)					
22	Fund	<u>8,272,700</u>	<u>14,659,800</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22,980,500</u>
23	TOTAL	\$16,880,800	\$27,017,500	\$89,000	\$1,974,800	\$45,962,100
24	V. COMMUNICATIONS:					
25	FROM:					
26	Fish and Game					
27	Fund	\$2,132,100	\$851,000			\$2,983,100
28	Fish and Game (Other)					
29	Fund	19,600	35,700			55,300
30	Fish and Game Expendable Trust					
31	Fund	30,100	80,300			110,400
32	Fish and Game (Federal)					
33	Fund	<u>1,651,300</u>	<u>892,900</u>			<u>2,544,200</u>
34	TOTAL	\$3,833,100	\$1,859,900			\$5,693,000
35	GRAND TOTAL	\$67,999,400	\$74,668,400	\$5,289,900	\$1,974,800	\$149,932,500

36 SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519,
37 Idaho Code, the Department of Fish and Game is authorized no more than five
38 hundred forty-seven (547.00) full-time equivalent positions at any point

1 during the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, unless specifically
2 authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee
3 will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

4 SECTION 3. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR DEDICATED FUND. There is
5 hereby reappropriated to the Department of Fish and Game any unexpended and
6 unencumbered balances appropriated to the Department of Fish and Game for
7 the Fish and Game Fund for fiscal year 2023, to be used for nonrecurring
8 expenditures not to exceed \$2,600,000 from the Fish and Game Fund for the pe-
9 riod July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, to address the maintenance backlog
10 of the Department of Fish and Game. The Office of the State Controller shall
11 confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program,
12 with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropria-
13 tion authorized herein.

14 SECTION 4. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR FEDERAL FUND. There is hereby
15 reappropriated to the Department of Fish and Game any unexpended and unen-
16 cumbered balances appropriated to the Department of Fish and Game for the
17 Fish and Game (Federal) Fund for fiscal year 2023, to be used for nonrecur-
18 ring expenditures not to exceed \$210,000 from the Fish and Game (Federal)
19 Fund for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, to address the
20 maintenance backlog of the Department of Fish and Game. The Office of the
21 State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense
22 class, and program, with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing
23 the reappropriation authorized herein.

24 SECTION 5. ACQUISITION OF SHOOTING RANGE PROPERTY OWNED BY KOOTENAI
25 COUNTY. Of the appropriation made in Section 1 of this act, the Idaho Fish
26 and Game Commission shall expend up to \$5,000,000 in federal funds received
27 by apportionment under the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and
28 the minimum additional amount of non-federal funds as required for match of
29 said federal funds for the acquisition of no fewer than approximately forty
30 (40) and no more than approximately sixty (60) acres of land owned by Kootenai
31 County adjacent to the Coeur d'Alene Airport to continue the land's use
32 as a skeet and trap shooting range, subject to compliance with requirements
33 of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act, its implementing regu-
34 lations, and Title 36, Idaho Code. At the direction of the Commission, the
35 Department of Fish and Game shall initiate purchase negotiations as soon as
36 practicable and the Commission may complete such purchase on behalf and in
37 the name of the State of Idaho pursuant to Section 36-104, Idaho Code. By no
38 later than December 10, 2023, the Department of Fish and Game shall provide a
39 written report on any actions related to acquisition of this property to the
40 Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, the Senate Resources and Environ-
41 ment Committee, and the House Resources and Conservation Committee.

42 SECTION 6. ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in
43 statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be
44 used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject
45 to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section
46 67-702, Idaho Code.

1 SECTION 7. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
2 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
3 July 1, 2023.