MINUTES

JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, March 20, 2023

TIME: 8:00 A.M. **PLACE:** Room C310

MEMBERS Senators Co-Chairman Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon,

PRESENT: Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Co-Chairman Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss,

Handy, Lambert, Petzke, Tanner, and Nash

ABSENT/ Senators Cook and Adams

EXCUSED:

CONVENED: Co-Chairman Grow called the meeting of the Joint Finance-Appropriations

Committee (Committee or JFAC) to order at 8:02 a.m.

LSO STAFF OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - STATE LIQUOR DIVISION -PRESENTATION:

RECONSIDERATION OF DEFEATED FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION; Alex Williamson, Analyst, Legislative

Services Office (LSO) Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Williamson explained this agency's budget had failed in the House and

all Committee members were familiar with it.

MOTION: Moved by Representative Miller for the State Liquor Division, beginning

with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: \$271,600 for benefit costs, \$52,700 for statewide cost allocation, \$797,600 for change in employee compensation, and remove 3 FTP and \$102,400 for Human Resources consolidation. Include \$448,400 for inflationary adjustments and \$1,285,600 for replacement items. Also include the following: line item 2, which adds \$230,200 to relocate or remodel two existing stores; line item 3, which adds 1 FTP and \$77,200 for an additional HR specialist; and line item 4, which adds \$95,000 for a contracted retail technology consultant. The total for this motion for FY 2024 is \$29,491,500 from dedicated funds, and cap full-time equivalent positions at 261; seconded

by Senator Ward-Engelking.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Moved by Representative Lambert for the State Liquor Division, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: \$271,600 for benefit costs, \$285,600 for statewide cost allocation, \$797,600 for change in employee compensation, and remove 3 FTP and \$102,400 for Human Resources consolidation. Include \$448,400 for inflationary adjustments and \$285,600 for replacement items. Also included are the following line items: line item 3, which adds 1 FTP and \$77,200 for an additional HR specialist; line item 4, which adds \$95,000 for a contracted retail technology consultant; and line item 5, which adds \$49,400 for a

warehouse employee incentive program. The total for this motion for FY 2024 is \$28,310,700 from dedicated funds, and cap full-time equivalent positions at

261; seconded by Senator Bjerke.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Lambert pointed out her substitute motion reduces the replacement items by approximately \$1 million, and removes the proposed three new district managers and inflationary adjustments for the relocation and remodel of two stores. It retains the retail technology consultant. She stated it reduces the budget by \$670,200 that can revert to the dedicated fund.

FAILED:

AYES: 4

Senators Bjerke and Herndon

Representatives Lambert and Tanner

NAYS: 14

Senators Grow, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, and Just Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

DISCUSSION:

In response to a Committee question, **Representative Miller** explained the difference between the appropriation bill that failed in the House and this original motion was the addition of inflationary adjustments in an amount of \$448,400.

CARRIED (ORIGINAL MOTION):

AYES: 13

Senators Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, and Just Representatives Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 5

Senators Grow and Herndon

Representatives Horman, Lambert, and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Miller**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

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

SECTION _. LIQUOR REVENUES TRACKING REPORT. The State Liquor Division shall deliver a report that compares forecast revenues, distributed by month for the year, to the actual revenues and remaining forecasted revenues for the year on a monthly basis to the Legislative Services Office. The report shall also include a forecast, updated monthly, of the next fiscal year's

anticipated revenues. The format of the report and the information included therein shall be determined by the Legislative Services Office.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

IDAHO ATTORNEY GENERAL - RECONSIDERATION OF FY 2024 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION; Tim Hibbard, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Hibbard summarized that this agency's budget was up for reconsideration, and within its request and the Governor's Recommendation there were three line items.

MOTION:

Moved by **Senator Ward-Engelking** for the Attorney General, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: benefit costs, statewide cost allocation, change in employee compensation, and annualizations. Include \$211,000 for replacement items. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides \$48,000 for a Legal Internship Program; line item 3, which provides \$75,000 for National Child I.D. Program enrollment; line item 4, which provides 4 FTP and \$642,600 for ICAC Investigators, Analysts and Vehicles; and line item 5, which provides \$153,100 for additional CEC for Investigator Retention. The totals for this motion for FY 2024 are \$29,903,700 from the General Fund, \$1,076,700 from dedicated funds, and \$1,505,100 from federal funds, for a total of \$32,485,500 and cap full-time equivalent positions at 230; seconded by **Senator Lent**.

DISCUSSION:

Senator Ward-Engelking pointed out that over the last eight years, this agency has reverted \$1,000,000 on average and \$700,000 from the General Fund. An analysis done on salaries for the attorney general positions, when compared to other Idaho county and city positions, showed that its salaries were competitive and in many cases paid higher than city and county positions. As a reminder, last year the agency received an 11 percent salary increase.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Petzke** for the Attorney General, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: benefit costs, statewide cost allocation, change in employee compensation, and annualizations. Include \$211,000 for replacement items. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides \$48,000 for a Legal Internship Program; line item 3, which provides \$75,000 for National Child I.D. Program enrollment; line item 4, which provides 4 FTP and \$642,600 for ICAC investigators, analysts and vehicles; line item 5, which provides \$153,100 for additional CEC for Investigator retention; and line item 6, which provides \$300,000 for additional personnel costs. The totals for this motion for FY 2024, are \$30,203,700 from the General Fund, \$1,076,700 from dedicated funds, and \$1,505,100 from federal funds, for a total of \$32,785,500 and cap full-time equivalent positions at 230; seconded by **Representative Raybould**.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Petzke summarized the working group took the original motion, which had the 11 percent increase, and instead of a broad increase settled upon targeted increases for the positions that needed pay increases due to being below comparable positions elsewhere, and in particular, the investigators who were provided with raises too, totaling additional personnel costs, reflected in line item 6. That additional cost request was originally a supplemental request to cover those needs.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Moved by **Representative Nash** for the Attorney General, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: benefit costs, statewide cost allocation, change in employee compensation, and annualizations. Include \$211,000 for replacement items. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides \$48,000 for a Legal Internship Program; line item 3, which provides \$75,000 for National Child I.D. Program enrollment; line item 4, which provides 4 FTP and \$642,600 for ICAC Investigators, analysts and vehicles; line item 5, which provides \$1,101,00 for additional personnel costs; and line item 6, which reduces 2 FTP and \$240,200. The totals for this motion for FY 2024 are \$30,587,600 from the General Fund, \$1,091,300 from dedicated funds, and \$1,514,300 from federal funds, for a total of \$33,193,200 and cap full-time equivalent positions at 228; seconded by **Senator Just**.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Nash explained Committee members were not satisfied with obtaining attorney general opinions on legislation. This budget addresses that and provides a compromise based upon the agency's request for a 15 percent change in employee compensation increase. Also, reporting showed that mid-level attorneys were receiving between 4 percent and 8 percent less compensation than their public counterparts, therefore this motion includes a 7.5 percent increase to make their salary more competitive with other public level attorneys. Additionally, the motion transfers two positions out of the Attorney General's office into the LSO to be able to obtain internal legal opinions. This motion is a compromise and a modest increase of 8 percent overall.

CARRIED (SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION):

AYES: 16

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 2

Senator Burtenshaw Representative Raybould

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Nash**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

INTENT LANGUAGE:

SECTION_. EXEMPTIONS FROM OBJECT AND PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS. The Attorney General is hereby exempted from the provisions of Section 67-3511 (1), (2) and (3), Idaho Code, allowing unlimited transfers between object codes and between programs, for all moneys appropriated to it for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Legislative appropriations shall not be transferred from one fund to another fund unless expressly approved by the Legislature.

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

STATE APPELLATE PUBLIC DEFENDER - RECONSIDERATION OF FY 2024 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION; Tim Hibbard, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Hibbard summarized this agency's request and the Governor's Recommendation, which included a line item for a capital litigation attorney.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Nash** for the State Appellate Public Defender, beginning with the FY 2024 base, include the following items as part of the JFAC adjusted budget: benefit costs, statewide cost allocation, change in employee compensation, and Human Resources consolidation. Include \$5,100 for inflationary adjustments and \$10,200 for replacement items. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides 1 FTP and \$130,000 for a Capital Litigation attorney; line item 2, which provides \$94,400 for salary and benefits increases for deputy state appellate public defenders; and line item 3, which provides \$112,900 for additional CEC for all employees. The totals for this motion for FY 2024 is \$3,951,000 from the General Fund, and cap full-time equivalent positions at 26; seconded by **Senator Just**.

CARRIED: AYES: 18

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Nash**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

INTENT LANGUAGE: SECTION _. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the State Appellate Public Defender any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated to the State Appellate Public Defender from the General Fund for fiscal year 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$1,309,400 from the General Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. 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 _. ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. Funds specifically identified in statute or in an appropriation act as intended for a certain purpose may be used only for that purpose. All funds provided in this act shall be subject to accountability reports and management reviews in accordance with Section 67-702, Idaho Code.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

SELF-GOVERNING AGENCIES - DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES - TECHNICAL CORRECTION; Tim Hibbard, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Hibbard presented that language would need to be added to this agency's budget which was previously considered and approved. This language would trigger a report if the year-end cash balance of any fund's annual expenditure exceeded 125 percent or dipped below 30 percent.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Bundy**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

INTENT LANGUAGE:

SECTION _. REPORTING ON FUND BALANCES. The division of occupational and professional licenses shall provide a report by December 1, 2023, to the joint finance appropriations committee of the legislature, to the germane legislative committee responsible for such board or commission, and to legislative services office division of budget and policy analysis detailing the year-end cash balances for all fund details of the occupational licenses fund. If the year-end cash balance of any fund detail exceeds one-hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the five-year rolling average of expenditures, the division of occupational and professional licenses shall present a plan to the legislature for reducing fund balances including, but is not limited to, fee reductions and holidays. If the year-end cash balance of any fund detail drops below thirty percent (30%) of the five-year rolling average of expenditures, the division of occupational and professional licenses shall present a plan to the legislature for rectifying the low fund balance, including but not limited to fee increases.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: PERMANENT BUILDING FUND - RECONSIDERATION OF FY 2024 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION; Frances Lippitt, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Lippitt discussed the Committee previously acted upon this budget and due to a House split vote and that the substitute motion which passed had not been widely circulated beforehand, the Committee had the opportunity to reconsider.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Petzke**, granted by unanimous consent, the Department of Administration, in the Division of Public Works, from the Permanent Building Fund, the FY 2024 budget was reconsidered.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Petzke** for FY 2024 a transfer of \$94,098,100 from the General Fund to the Permanent Building Fund on July 1, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practicable; seconded by **Representative Raybould**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 16

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 2

Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Petzke** for FY 2024 for the Department of Administration, in the Division of Public Works, beginning with the FY 2024 base, an increase of \$59,664,000 for statewide alteration and repair projects, found on the replacement items line. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides \$10,603,000 for the Juvenile Corrections cottages in St. Anthony; line item 2, which provides \$9,975,000 for the Idaho State Police's District 2 facility in Lewiston; line item 3, which provides \$4,841,700 for the Idaho State Police's District 6 facility in Idaho Falls; line item 4, which provides \$6,000,000 for the Division of Military's Youth ChalleNGe dorms in Pierce; line item 62, which provides \$72,922,000 for higher education capital projects; line item 63, which provides \$6,176,000 for modifications to the Department of Juvenile Corrections Lewiston facility; and line item 64, which provides \$15,000,100 for a records archive facility for the Idaho State Historical Society. The total for this motion for FY 2024 is \$185,181,800 from the Permanent Building Fund; seconded by **Representative Raybould**.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Petzke stated his motion was the same as had previously passed the Committee with the addition of \$100 for the Idaho State Historical Society's preservation facility. He stated for most of the university and college projects the dollar amounts do not reflect the total cost of the project as the universities have other additional funding sources, such as private grants and bonds, and the percentages funded are roughly in line with what was originally recommended by the Governor.

Representative Raybould stated she had concerns over the motion's use of enrollment as the fund formula for the higher education capital projects, and believes historically the Committee did its best to ensure that funding requests for projects were met in full. However, in this case since this budget does not exist in isolation from the other budgets within the system, the Committee had to make a determination about where to spend funds.

Ms. Lippitt confirmed the allocation for the higher education institutions is unchanged.

Senator Herndon stated he did not support the allocation to universities and colleges since it is not based on fully funding specifically requested projects.

Representative Nash pointed out the line items were requested by the universities for specific projects and the Committee was only partially funding their requests which gives the universities the opportunity to consider the scope of the project.

CARRIED: AYES: 15

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, and

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon

Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by Co-Chairman Grow.

MOTION:

Requested by **Representative Petzke** that \$72,922,000 for higher education capital projects is allocated as follows, and to accept the following intent language; seconded by Representative Ravbould.

CARRIED: AYES: 15

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, and

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon

Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and it was so ordered by Co-Chairman Grow.

INTENT LANGUAGE:

Boise State University Science Research Building \$17,936,000

Idaho State University \$8,388,000

Lewis-Clark State College \$2,370,000

University of Idaho \$8,998,000

CWI Student Learning Center \$10,700,000

CWI Horticulture Expansion - Phase 2 \$5,000,000 CSI Emergency Generator and Data Center \$2,530,000

CSI Evergreen Building \$9,000,000

CEI Campus Infrastructure Improvements \$8,000,000

Section _. The appropriation identified in section _ for Idaho State University is for the purpose of property development for future expansion of the health sciences campus; or for nuclear faculty research lab space; or for expansion of the physician assistant facility. The appropriation identified for Lewis-Clark State College in section _ is for the purpose of the Sam Glenn complex remodel; or dormitory expansion for a nursing learning and living community; or build-out of Clearwater Hall's first floor. The appropriation identified in section _ for the University of Idaho is for the purpose of McCall field campus improvements; or design and construction of a meat science and innovation center; or a Joint Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) facility; or the Parma campus building.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Senator Herndon**, granted by unanimous consent, to change his vote on the original motion for the intent language from Aye to Nay. The corrected vote is reflected above.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Representative Petzke**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

INTENT LANGUAGE: SECTION _. ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS. Moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act, or so much thereof as in each case may be necessary, shall be used for the purpose of paying the cost of any land, building, or equipment, or for the rebuilding, renovation, or repair of buildings, installations, facilities, or structures, at the places, institutions, and agencies, or their successors, including those listed in this section. The Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council is hereby authorized and directed to anticipate revenues accruing to the Permanent Building Fund for the purpose of undertaking the construction, renovation, repair, and acquisitions therein authorized, without delay, and to determine the priority of construction pursuant to which the work hereunder will be undertaken..

SECTION _. UTILIZATION OF MATCHING FUNDS. Moneys appropriated in this act may be made available for matching any allocation of moneys now in existence or hereafter made available by agencies of the United States and/or private donations; and the Division of Public Works is authorized to expend, for the purpose of paying the cost of any land, building, or equipment, or for the rebuilding, renovation, or repair of buildings, moneys appropriated for public works to various agencies as part of the respective agency operating budgets, provided the express approval by the Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council is granted to make application for such moneys in each instance.

SECTION _. REALLOCATION OF PROJECT SAVINGS. The Division of Public Works may have the flexibility to allocate any savings or unused appropriation from any project to any other requested and funded project. The reallocation of such appropriation must be approved by the Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council prior to the funds being spent.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

STATE TAX COMMISSION, PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, AND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION - COMMISSIONER SALARY INCREASE FY 2024; Frances Lippitt, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Lippitt summarized the proposed increase to the salaries of the ten state statutory commissioners at the Public Utilities Commission, State Tax Commission, and the Industrial Commission. This increase would provide each commissioner with a \$1.20 per hour raise similar to most state employees. She reminded the Committee commissioner salaries are set by statute, similar to statewide elected officials and members of the judiciary. Ms. Lippitt reviewed the proposed bill that would go along with a passed motion.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Miller** to introduce FGL015 which increases the salary for each of the ten statutory commissioners by \$1.20 per hour. This motion increases the salary for public utility commissioners from \$120,246 to \$122,742. The salary for tax commissioners is increased from \$11,376 to \$113,977. The salary for industrial commissioners is increased from \$117,044 to \$119.540; seconded by **Senator Bierke**.

DISCUSSION:

In response to Committee questions, **Keith Bybee**, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis, explained these three commissions have full time and salaried commissioners, which has been set in statute. Since their salaries are set by Idaho Code, it requires an amendment to the statute to provide the pay increase. The Committee also had to delay this action for clarity on how another bill moved through the body which necessitated this being a separate decision from the commissions' original appropriation.

CARRIED:

AYES: 18

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon,

Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner,

Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and it was

so ordered by Co-Chairman Grow.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Miller** for the Public Utilities Commission for FY

2024 an additional \$9,100 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Senator Bierke**.

CARRIED: AYES: 17

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon,

Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner,

Petzke, and Handy

NAYS: 1

Representative Nash

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it

was so ordered by Co-Chairman Grow.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Miller** for the Industrial Commission for FY 2024

an additional \$9,100 from dedicated funds; seconded by Senator Bjerke.

CARRIED: AYES: 18

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon,

Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner,

Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it

was so ordered by Co-Chairman Grow.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Miller** for the State Tax Commission for FY 2024

an additional \$9,700 from the General Fund and \$2,400 from dedicated funds

for a total of \$12,100; seconded by **Senator Bjerke**.

CARRIED: AYES: 18

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, VanOrden, Herndon,

Ward-Engelking, and Just

Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner,

Petzke, Handy, and Nash

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Having heard no objection, it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TECHNICAL CORRECTION; Nathan Osborne, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis, introduced a summary of actions which caused the necessity of this budget's technical correction. **H 296** asked the legislature to track and report monies transferred from the public school income fund, which is under the sales tax distribution formula as General Fund revenues and expenditures. The stakeholder team found that the public school income fund is already categorized and tracked as General Fund expenditures and will track totals on the daily General Fund Update. He stated last week under the State Board of Education's budget it was titled a dedicated fund and therefore needs to be adjusted to the General Fund for accounting purposes.

Mr. Osborne agreed with the overview provided and explained the budget was before the Committee for a second time.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Petzke** for the Office of the State Board of Education for FY 2024 74.25 FTP, \$41,353,500 from the General Fund, \$7,020,300 from dedicated funds, and \$48,002,400 from federal funds for a grand total of \$96,376,200; seconded by **Senator Lent**.

DISCUSSION:

In response to Committee questions, the Empowering Parents Grants and yet to be passed legislation were discussed.

Matt Freeman, Executive Direct, Idaho State Board of Education explained the remaining COVID-19 Relief Funding, budget line item 5, would be used to replace kindergarten through grade 12 longitudinal data system, and the remaining monies used for after school or summer school programs and other learning loss related activities.

CARRIED:

AYES: 12

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, and VanOrden Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, and Handy

NAYS: 6

Senators Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just Representatives Lambert, Tanner, and Nash

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Senator Cook

Representative Adams

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and it was so ordered by **Co-Chairman Grow**.

ADJOURNED:

There being no further business before the Committee, **Co-Chairman Grow** adjourned the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Senator Grow	Erin Miller
Chair	Secretary