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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 582

BY NECOCHEA

AN ACT

- RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES; AMENDING SECTION 67-8203, IDAHO CODE,
 TO REVISE A DEFINITION; AMENDING SECTION 67-8204A, IDAHO CODE, TO RE VISE PROVISIONS REGARDING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS; AND DECLARING
 AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Section 67-8203, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 8 amended to read as follows:

67-8203. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

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(1) "Affordable housing" means housing affordable to families whose
 incomes do not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the median income for the ser vice area or areas within the jurisdiction of the governmental entity.

(2) "Appropriate" means to legally obligate by contract or otherwise
 commit to use by appropriation or other official act of a governmental en tity.

(3) "Capital improvements" means improvements with a useful life of ten
 (10) years or more, by new construction or other action, which increase the
 service capacity of a public facility.

(4) "Capital improvement element" means a component of a comprehensive
 plan adopted pursuant to chapter 65, title 67, Idaho Code, which component
 meets the requirements of a capital improvements plan pursuant to this chap ter.

(5) "Capital improvements plan" means a plan adopted pursuant to this
 chapter that identifies capital improvements for which development impact
 fees may be used as a funding source.

(6) "Developer" means any person or legal entity undertaking develop ment, including a party that undertakes the subdivision of property pursuant
 to sections 50-1301 through 50-1334, Idaho Code.

(7) "Development" means any construction or installation of a building 29 or structure, or any change in use of a building or structure, or any change 30 in the use, character or appearance of land, which creates additional demand 31 and need for public facilities or the subdivision of property that would per-32 mit any change in the use, character or appearance of land. As used in this 33 chapter, "development" shall not include activities that would otherwise 34 be subject to payment of the development impact fee if such activities are 35 36 undertaken by a taxing district, as defined in section 63-201, Idaho Code, or by an authorized public charter school, as defined in section 33-5202A, 37 Idaho Code, in the course of carrying out its statutory responsibilities, 38 unless the adopted impact fee ordinance expressly includes taxing districts 39 or public charter schools as being subject to development impact fees. 40

(8) "Development approval" means any written authorization from a gov ernmental entity that authorizes the commencement of a development.

(9) "Development impact fee" means a payment of money imposed as a condition of development approval to pay for a proportionate share of the cost
of system improvements needed to serve development. This term is also referred to as an impact fee in this chapter. The term does not include the following:

6 7 (a) A charge or fee to pay the administrative, plan review, or inspection costs associated with permits required for development;

8 9 (b) Connection or hookup charges;(c) Availability charges for drainage, sewer, water, or transportation

10 charges for services provided directly to the development; or

(d) Amounts collected from a developer in a transaction in which the governmental entity has incurred expenses in constructing capital improvements for the development if the owner or developer has agreed to be financially responsible for the construction or installation of the capital improvements, unless a written agreement is made pursuant to section 67-8209(3), Idaho Code, for credit or reimbursement.

(10) "Development requirement" means a requirement attached to a developmental approval or other governmental action approving or authorizing a
particular development project including, but not limited to, a rezoning,
which requirement compels the payment, dedication or contribution of goods,
services, land, or money as a condition of approval.

(11) "Extraordinary costs" means those costs incurred as a result of anextraordinary impact.

24 (12) "Extraordinary impact" means an impact that is reasonably deter-25 mined by the governmental entity to:

(a) Result in the need for system improvements, the cost of which will
significantly exceed the sum of the development impact fees to be generated from the project or the sum agreed to be paid pursuant to a development agreement as allowed by section 67-8214 (2), Idaho Code; or

30 (b) Result in the need for system improvements that are not identified31 in the capital improvements plan.

32 (13) "Fee payer" means that person who pays or is required to pay a de-33 velopment impact fee.

(14) "Governmental entity" means any unit of local government that is
 empowered in this enabling legislation to adopt a development impact fee or dinance.

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(15) "Impact fee." See development impact fee.

(16) "Land use assumptions" means a description of the service area and
 projections of land uses, densities, intensities, and population in the ser vice area over at least a twenty (20) year period.

(17) "Level of service" means a measure of the relationship between service capacity and service demand for public facilities.

(18) "Manufactured home" means a structure, constructed according to 43 HUD/FHA mobile home construction and safety standards, transportable in one 44 (1) or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight (8) feet or more 45 in width or is forty (40) body feet or more in length, or when erected on site, 46 is three hundred twenty (320) or more square feet, and which is built on a 47 permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a 48 permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes 49 the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained 50

therein, except that such term shall include any structure that meets all the 1 2 requirements of this subsection except the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification required 3 by the secretary of housing and urban development and complies with the stan-4 5 dards established under 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.

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(19) "Modular building" is as defined in section 39-4301, Idaho Code.

7 (20) "Present value" means the total current monetary value of past, present, or future payments, contributions or dedications of goods, ser-8 vices, materials, construction or money. 9

(21) "Project" means a particular development on an identified parcel 10 11 of land.

(22) "Project improvements" means site improvements and facilities 12 that are planned and designed to provide service for a particular devel-13 opment project and that are necessary for the use and convenience of the 14 15 occupants or users of the project.

16 (23) "Proportionate share" means that portion of the cost of system improvements determined pursuant to section 67-8207, Idaho Code, which rea-17 sonably relates to the service demands and needs of the project. 18

(24) "Public facilities" means:

(a) Water supply production, treatment, storage and distribution fa-20 21 cilities; 22

(b) Wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities;

(c) Roads, streets and bridges, including rights-of-way, traffic 23 signals, landscaping and any local components of state or federal high-24 ways; 25

(d) Stormwater collection, retention, detention, treatment and dis-26 posal facilities, flood control facilities, and bank and shore protec-27 tion and enhancement improvements; 28

(e) Parks, open space and recreation areas, and related capital im-29 provements; and 30

(f) School district facilities; and 31

(g) Public safety facilities, including law enforcement, fire stations 32 and apparatus, emergency medical and rescue, and street lighting facil-33 34 ities.

(25) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicular type unit primarily de-35 signed as temporary quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which 36 either has its own motive power or is mounted on or drawn by another vehicle. 37

(26) "Service area" means any defined geographic area identified by a 38 39 governmental entity or by intergovernmental agreement in which specific public facilities provide service to development within the area defined, on 40 the basis of sound planning or engineering principles or both. 41

(27) "Service unit" means a standardized measure of consumption, use, 42 generation or discharge attributable to an individual unit of development 43 calculated in accordance with generally accepted engineering or planning 44 standards for a particular category of capital improvements. 45

(28) "System improvements," in contrast to project improvements, means 46 47 capital improvements to public facilities designed to provide service to a service area including, without limitation, the type of improvements de-48 scribed in section 50-1703, Idaho Code. 49

(29) "System improvement costs" means costs incurred for construction
 or reconstruction of system improvements, including design, acquisition,
 engineering and other costs attributable thereto, and also including, with out limitation, the type of costs described in section 50-1702(h), Idaho
 Code, to provide additional public facilities needed to serve new growth and
 development. For clarification, system improvement costs do not include:

7 8 9 (a) Construction, acquisition or expansion of public facilities other than capital improvements identified in the capital improvements plan;(b) Repair, operation or maintenance of existing or new capital improvements;

10 provements; 11 (c) Upgrading, updating, expanding or replacing existing capital im-12 provements to serve existing development in order to meet stricter 13 safety, efficiency, environmental or regulatory standards;

(d) Upgrading, updating, expanding or replacing existing capital im provements to provide better service to existing development;

(e) Administrative and operating costs of the governmental entity un less such costs are attributable to development of the capital improve ments plan, as provided in section 67-8208, Idaho Code; or

(f) Principal payments and interest or other finance charges on bonds
or other indebtedness except financial obligations issued by or on behalf of the governmental entity to finance capital improvements identified in the capital improvements plan.

23 SECTION 2. That Section 67-8204A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 24 amended to read as follows:

67-8204A. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS. Governmental entities as 25 26 defined in section 67-8203(14), Idaho Code, that are jointly affected by development are authorized to enter into intergovernmental agreements with 27 each other or with highway districts, school districts, fire districts, am-28 bulance districts, water districts, sewer districts, recreational water and 29 sewer districts, or irrigation districts for the purpose of developing joint 30 plans for capital improvements or for the purpose of agreeing to collect and 31 expend development impact fees for system improvements, or both, provided 32 that such agreement complies with any applicable state laws. Governmen-33 tal entities are also authorized to enter into agreements with the Idaho 34 35 transportation department for the expenditure of development impact fees pursuant to a developer's agreement under section 67-8214, Idaho Code. 36

37 SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
 38 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
 39 July 1, 2024.

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