LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO Sixty-seventh Legislature Second Regular Session - 2024

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1373

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION;
 APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION
 COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025; DIRECTING THE USE OF FUNDS FOR THE
 WATER QUALITY PROGRAM FOR AGRICULTURE; PROVIDING GENERAL FUND REAPPRO PRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE WATER QUALITY PROGRAM FOR AGRICULTURE; AND
 DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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9 SECTION 1. In addition to any other appropriation provided by law,
 10 there is hereby appropriated to the Soil and Water Conservation Commission
 11 the following amounts to be expended according to the designated expense
 12 classes from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30,
 13 2025:

14			FOR	
15		FOR	TRUSTEE AND	
16		PERSONNEL	BENEFIT	
17		COSTS	PAYMENTS	TOTAL
18	FROM:			
19	General			
20	Fund	\$24,300	\$1,075,400	\$1,099,700
21	Resource Conservation and Rangeland Development			
22	Fund	3,500	<u>0</u>	<u>3,500</u>
23	TOTAL	\$27,800		\$1,103,200

SECTION 2. WATER QUALITY PROGRAM FOR AGRICULTURE. Of the moneys appro-24 priated in Section 1 of this act for trustee and benefit payments, \$1,000,000 25 shall be used for the Water Quality Program for Agriculture in accordance 26 with Sections 22-2733 and 22-2734, Idaho Code, to provide cost-share financ-27 ing for soil and water conservation projects, water delivery and drainage 28 rehabilitation and improvement projects, implementation of agricultural 29 best management practices, and other projects to enhance and restore the 30 soil and water resources of the state. The commission shall administer this 31 funding through existing grant procedures and personnel. 32

33 SECTION 3. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated 34 to the Soil and Water Conservation Commission any unexpended and unencum-35 bered balances reappropriated to the Soil and Water Conservation Commission 36 for fiscal year 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 from the General 37 Fund to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to the Water Quality 38 Program for Agriculture for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. 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.

4 SECTION 4. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby

5 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 6 July 1, 2024.