

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Friday, February 16, 2024
- TIME:** 8:00 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room C310
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Senators Co-chairman Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, and Just
Representatives Co-chairman Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Handy, Lambert, Petzke, Tanner, and Green
- ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None
- CONVENED:** **Co-Chairman Grow** called the meeting of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (Committee) to order at 8:00 a.m.
- GENERAL FUND UPDATE** **Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**
Mr. Bybee provided the daily fund update, highlighting the current status and impact on the General Fund of the following bills: H 447, H 521, S 1249 and S 1360. The total impact of the bills is a \$281 million reduction, either in appropriations or revenues. Currently, there is a \$5.1 billion General Fund Appropriation and the Governor's budget level was at \$5.3 billion.
- LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:** **BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 IDAHO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, LBB 5-67, Jared Tatro, Deputy Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**
Mr. Tatro presented the Idaho State Historical Society budget detail before the Committee. Established by statute in 1907, it has a board of trustees and manages historical sites throughout the state.
- MOTION:** Moved by **Senator Herndon**, for the Idaho State Historical Society, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget: add 2.00 FTP and \$133,600 for the Old Idaho Penitentiary; \$101,200 for the Administrative Support Manager; \$70,500 for replacement items; \$146,900 for the 2% CEC; and reduce 1.00 FTP and \$70,000 for the OITS Consolidation. For the Idaho State Historical Society for FY 2025, an additional \$84,500 from the General Fund, \$261,300 from dedicated funds, and \$36,400 from federal funds for a total of \$382,200 and an additional 1.00 full-time equivalent position; seconded by **Representative Lambert**.
- DISCUSSION:** **Senator Herndon** spoke in favor of his motion, which does not include funding for the America 250 commemoration line item. He stated statutes for the Idaho State Historical Society address encouraging Idaho history and preservation of Idaho historic archeological, architectural, and cultural heritage resources. The America 250 commemoration is about federal July 4th history and does not meet the agency objective.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Moved by **Representative Bundy**, for the Idaho State Historical Society, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget: add 2.00 FTP and \$133,600 for the Old Idaho Penitentiary; \$101,200 for the Administrative Support Manager; \$1,650,000 for America 250; \$70,500 for replacement items; \$146,900 for the 2% CEC; and reduce 1.00 FTP and \$70,000 for the OITS Consolidation. For the Idaho State Historical Society for FY 2025, an additional \$1,734,500 from the General Fund, \$261,300 from dedicated funds, and \$36,400 from federal funds for a total of \$2,032,200, and an additional 1.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Senator Lent**.

DISCUSSION: **Representative Bundy** spoke in favor of the substitute motion, stating the America 250 commemoration line item includes funding to show the uniqueness of Idaho, to incorporate into K-12 education civic education related to July 4th, 1776, and is a good investment for Idaho youth and communities. **Senator Herndon** spoke in opposition to the Substitute Motion, stating one of principles of Idaho is low taxation and consent of governed and that if money is to be spent it should be for the anniversary of statehood.

CARRIED (SUBSTITUTE MOTION): **AYES: 16**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Just Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 4
Senators Adams and Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 COMMISSION FOR LIBRARIES, LBB 5-73, Jared Tatro, Deputy Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Mr. Tatro presented the budget detail before the Committee for the Idaho Commission for Libraries, which assists with statewide library development, providing continuing education and consulting services to the library community, which consists of over 147 public library buildings open year round, as well as schools and other academic libraries.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Handy** for the Idaho Commission for Libraries, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add an adjusted \$40,000 for the Summer STEM programs; \$750,000 for the Digital Access for All Idahoans Grant; and \$52,500 for the 2% CEC. For the Idaho Commission for Libraries for FY 2025, an additional \$78,000 from the General Fund, and \$764,500 from federal funds for a total of \$842,500, and to provide reappropriation authority for any unexpended and unencumbered funds from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000, and from the Federal Grant Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 and include standard reappropriation language in the bill; seconded by **Senator Cook**.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Tanner** for the Idaho Commission for Libraries, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$52,500 for the 2% CEC. For the Idaho Commission for Libraries for FY 2025, an additional \$38,000 from the General Fund, and \$14,500 from federal funds for a total of \$52,500, and to provide reappropriation authority for any unexpended and unencumbered funds from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 and include standard reappropriation language in the bill; seconded by **Senator Herndon**.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Handy spoke against the substitute motion, stating the Digital Access for All Idahoans Grant is a positive thing as it allows kids to listen to books on their devices.
Representative Tanner spoke in favor of the substitute motion, stating the details of the Summer STEM program line item show that it is not a robust STEM program, rather it is intended to go toward 700 recipients, each receiving \$500 funds for yard signs. He also stated that the Digital Access for all Idahoans grant comes from the Federal Digital Equity Inclusion program, and that if digital access is necessary it should be funded at the state level.

FAILED:

AYES: 5
Senators Bjerke, Adams, Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

NAYS: 15
Senators Grow, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

CARRIED (ORIGINAL MOTION):

AYES: 17
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3
Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

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

**INTENT
LANGUAGE:**

REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY - LIBRARY PROJECTS. There is hereby reappropriated to the Idaho Commission for Libraries any unexpended and unencumbered balance appropriated or reappropriated to the Idaho Commission for Libraries from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund for fiscal year 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related library capital projects 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 Budget and Policy Analysis Division prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY - DIGITAL ACCESS CAPACITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the Idaho Commission for Libraries any unexpended and unencumbered balance appropriated or reappropriated to the Idaho Commission for Libraries from the Federal Grant Fund for fiscal year 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 from the Federal Grant Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to digital access capacity 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 Budget and Policy Analysis Division prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

TELEHEALTH FACILITIES. Of the moneys reappropriated in Section 2 of this act from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund for library facilities projects, no funds shall be expended for facility and technology projects that do not comply with Section 18-608 and 18-617, Idaho Code.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 OFFICE OF DRUG POLICY, LBB 6-65, Jared Tatro, Deputy Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Mr. Tatro presented budget detail for the Office of Drug Policy, which focuses on substance use prevention in the state of Idaho.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Tanner** for the Office of Drug Policy, beginning with the FY 2005 JFAC Maintenance Budget; add \$9,700 for the 2% CEC. For the Office of Drug Policy, for FY 2025, an additional \$4,900 from the General Fund, and \$4,800 from federal funds for a total of \$9,700, and to provide reappropriation authority for an unexpended and unencumbered funds from the American Rescue Plan Fund in an amount not to exceed \$775,100 and include standard reappropriation language in the appropriation bill; seconded by **Senator Herndon**.

DISCUSSION: **Representative Tanner** spoke in favor of the motion, stating that he would like to see one plan in the state to address Drug Policy, rather than different agencies doing the same thing.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Moved by **Senator Cook**, for the Office of Drug Policy, For the Office of Drug Policy, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$100,000 for Community Models; and \$9,700 for the 2% CEC. For the Office of Drug Policy, for FY 2025, an additional \$4,900 from the General Fund, \$100,000 from dedicated funds, and \$4,800 from federal funds for a total of \$109,700, and to provide reappropriation authority for any unexpended and unencumbered funds from the American Rescue Plan Fund in an amount not to exceed \$775,100 and include standard reappropriation language in the appropriation bill; seconded by **Representative Furniss**.

DISCUSSION:

Senator Cook spoke in favor of the substitute motion. He recognized that it would be nice to see more of a concentrated effort, however he had spoken with members of Idaho Behavioral Health and there is a plan in place for the money with their primary concern as the prevention of opioids.

Senator Herndon spoke in favor of the original motion stating that the Office of Drug Policy is already funded at \$5 million.

CARRIED (SUBSTITUTE MOTION):

AYES: 16

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

NAYS: 4

Senators Bjerke and Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:

BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 CAREER-TECHNICAL EDUCATION, LBB 1-99, Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Bybee presented the budget for Career-Technical Education before the Committee which includes five budgeted programs. First, central administration provides leadership makes sure that all of the programs go out. Second, there is secondary and general programs which provide secondary students with career and technical programs. Third, there is Post-secondary programs that provide college students with the opportunity to obtain two year degrees and shorter term certificates needed for employment in skilled and technical occupations that require less than a bachelor’s degree. The appropriation for this program is intended to fund 100% of the direct costs at Idaho, six technical colleges located at the College of Southern Idaho, College of Western Idaho, Idaho State University, Lewis Clark State College, North Idaho College, and College of Eastern Idaho. Fourth, the Educator Services program includes appropriations associated with the increased number of students participating in secondary career technical programs, and funding to incentivize quality and teacher preparation programs. The fifth budget program is related programs which administers the

adult education, general education development, Centers for New Directions, workforce training centers, the six technical colleges, and the fire training services.

MOTION:

Moved by **Senator Lent**, for the Division of Career Technical Education, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$240,000 for program inventory system expansion; 6.00 FTP and \$815,700 for education training program staff; \$150,000 to increase fire service training hours; and \$1,048,600 for the 2% CEC. For Division of Career Technical Education for FY 2025, an additional \$2,238,200 from the General Fund and \$16,100 from federal funds for a total of \$2,254,300, and an additional 6.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Representative Bundy**.

DISCUSSION:

Representative Bundy stated for program inventory expansion, \$65,000 is ongoing and \$175,000 is onetime. For educator training program staff, \$15,000 is onetime and the remainder is ongoing. The entirety of the increase for fire service training hours is ongoing. The total appropriation for the Division of Career Technical Education is \$79,153,900 from the General Fund, \$5,552,800 from the dedicated funds, and \$9,909,800 from federal funds.

CARRIED:

AYES: 19

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 1

Representative Lambert

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

**UNANIMOUS
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Senator Lent**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION . EXEMPTIONS FROM OBJECT TRANSFER LIMITATIONS.
Postsecondary Programs within the Division of Career Technical Education are hereby exempted from the provisions of Section 67-3511 (2), Idaho Code, allowing transfers between budgeted programs for all moneys appropriated to it for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025 for federal Career and Technical Education Funds. Legislative appropriations shall not be transferred from one fund to another fund unless expressly approved by the Legislature.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SPECIAL PROGRAMS, LBB 1-113, Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Bybee presented the FY 25 budget for the Office of the State Board of Education Special Programs before the Committee which includes several different programs with a general fund budget. The Forest Utilization research program is located at the University of Idaho and conducts research and analyzes policy to increase the productivity of Idaho's forests and rangelands. The Idaho Geological Survey (IGS) collects, analyzes, and disseminates geological and mineral based data for the state of Idaho. IGS is headquartered at the University of Idaho in Moscow with an office in Boise. The scholarships and grants program is administered by the office of the State Board of Education, and manages five scholarship and grant programs available to students attending Idaho's post-secondary educational institutions. The Idaho Museum of Natural History, located at Idaho State University, preserves, expands, and disseminates information about natural history of Idaho and the Intermountain West. The Idaho Small Business Development Centers provide counseling, training, research, and technical support services to small businesses and entrepreneurs. The center is headquartered at Boise State University, with field offices at colleges and universities around the state. Finally, Tech Help provides manufacturing consulting services, to small and medium sized companies. Tech help is a partnership of Idaho's three state universities and is an affiliate of the National Institution of Standards and Technology Manufacturing Extension Partnership.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Bundy**, for the Division of Special Programs, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add 0.50 FTP and \$26,000 for an administrative specialist at the Forest Utilization Survey; 0.19 FTP and \$17,900 for a database manager at the Idaho Geological Survey; \$20,600 to increase the operating budget for the Idaho Museum of Natural History; \$749,600 for the rural educator incentive program in the Scholarships and Grants Program; 0.50 FTP and \$30,700 for a rural business consultant at Small Business Development Centers; 0.09 FTP and \$12,900 for Studio Blu director compensation at TechHelp; a net zero transfer of 0.35 FTP and \$4,528,900 from federal funds to the U.S. Department of Education GEARUP Scholarship Fund in the Scholarships and Grants Program; and \$79,000 for the 2% CEC. For the Division of Special Programs for FY 2025, an additional \$936,400 from the General Fund and an additional 1.28 full-time equivalent position(s); seconded by **Senator VanOrden**.

DISCUSSION: **Representative Bundy** stated of the cumulative total for the Division of Special Programs, the total for each program includes: Forest Utilization Research Program, 13.28 FTP and \$1,652,600 Idaho Geological Survey, 12.47 FTP and \$1,336,100 Museum of Natural History, 8.20 FTP and \$748,700 Scholarship and Grants, 1.35 FTP and \$30,548,700 Small Business Development Centers, 11.33 FTP and \$1,101,600 TechHelp, 3.44 FTP and \$443,700.

CARRIED:

AYES: 17

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS, LBB 1-93, Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Mr. Bybee presented the FY 25 budget for the Office of the State Board of Education, Health Education Programs to the Committee which consists of eight specific programs. The Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah Veterinary Education Program provide access to a veterinary medical education through a cooperative agreement between the University of Idaho and Washington State University. The WWAMI (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho) Medical Education Program provides Idaho students with the opportunity to attend medical school through a cooperative agreement between the University of Idaho and the University of Washington. The Idaho Dental Education Program provides access to dental education for students through a cooperative agreement between Idaho State University and Creighton University in Nebraska. The University of Utah Medical Education Program provides medical school opportunity for Idaho students and psychiatry residency opportunities pursuant to a cooperative agreement between Idaho State University and the University of Utah. Idaho's three family medicine residency programs, which are located in Boise, Pocatello, and Coeur d'Alene provide family physician residencies and encourage newly graduated medical doctors to practice in Idaho. The Boise Internal Medicine Residency Program provides training opportunities for internal medicine residents in Boise and other sites throughout the state. The Idaho Psychiatry Residency Program offers training for residents who spend the first two years in Seattle, at the University of Washington, and the last two years in Boise with clinical rotations occurring at the Boise, VA, Saint Alphonsus and Saint Luke's medical centers, as well as at rural rotations around the state. Finally, the Eastern Idaho Medical Residencies Program provides training for Family Medicine and Internal Medicine that serve rural and underserved sites in eastern Idaho, based in the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Ward-Engelking**, for the Health Education Programs, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$60,000 for a new resident at the Boise Internal Medicine Residency Program; \$240,000 for new medical residents at the Eastern Idaho Medical Residency Programs; \$60,000 for a new resident in the Family Medical Residency Program; 2.00 FTP and \$120,000 for two new residents in the Family Medical Residency Program; and \$94,100 for the 2% CEC. For Health Education Programs for FY 2025, an additional \$570,200 from the General Fund and \$3,900 from dedicated funds for a total of \$574,100, and an additional 2.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Representative Petzke**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 17**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3
Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING 2025 STEM ACTION CENTER, LBB 6-133, Keith Bybee, Division Manager, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Mr. Bybee presented the FY 25 budget for the Stem Action Center to the Committee. The STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Action Center, was created under the office of the Governor through House Bill 302 of 2015, to promote the expansion of student engagement in STEM activities. The requirements, goals, and objectives of the STEM Action Center include coordination of all state departments and divisions on STEM related activities, promotion of STEM through best practices in education, support of high quality professional development for educators, facilitation of STEM related competitions, science fairs, camps and student programs, and engagement of private industry in the development and maintenance of STEM Action Center projects.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Petzke**, for the STEM Action Center, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget, remove \$40,000 for 1 STEM programming relocated to the Commission for Libraries; add \$3,000 for replacement items and \$12,000 for the 2% CEC. For the STEM Action Center for FY 2025, a reduction of \$25,000 from the General Fund; seconded by **Senator Herndon**.

DISCUSSION: **Representative Petzke** stated the \$40,000 reduction in this budget matches the \$40,000 that was just added to the Commission for libraries budget, resulting in a net zero transfer between agencies.

CARRIED: **AYES: 20**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

AT EASE: **Co-Chairman Grow** called the Committee At Ease at 8:55 am. The Committee resumed at 9:04 am.

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 IDAHO SECRETARY OF STATE, LBB 6-191, Brooke Dupree, LSO Budget and Policy Analyst**

Ms. Dupree provided the FY 25 budget for the Idaho Secretary of State to the Committee which includes three budgeted programs. First, the Administration program is responsible for administering elections and administering the Sunshine Law. The two other programs are the Commission on Uniform State Laws and the Idaho Code Commission. The agency has requested four enhancements and replacement items for FY 25.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Herndon**, for the Secretary of State beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$350,000 onetime for a voter guide, \$20,000 for travel costs, \$17,500 for address confidentiality, \$54,700 for replacement items and \$52,800 for the 2% CEC. For FY 2025, an additional \$495,000 from the General Fund for the Secretary of State; seconded by **Representative Petzke**.

DISCUSSION: **Senator Herndon** stated that Line Item One, the voters pamphlet is required by statute and comes every other year. It includes the constitutional amendments and ballot initiatives that the Secretary of State is required by statute to send to every household in the state of Idaho.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon and Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, and Handy

NAYS: 0
Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Senator Ward-Engelking
Representative Green

The Majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without

objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Co- Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Senator Herndon**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION_. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the Secretary of State any unexpended and unencumbered balance appropriated to the Secretary of State for election integrity audits and elections system upgrades for FY 2024 for the period July 1, 2024, through July 30, 2025. The Office of the State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amounts, by fund, expense class, and program, with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

SECTION_. VOTER PAMPHLET COSTS. Of the amount appropriated in Section 1 of this act or any other act for the Secretary of State, \$350,000 from the General Fund shall be used solely for the production and dissemination of the voter pamphlet. Any remaining unexpended and unencumbered amounts not so used shall revert to the General Fund.

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION:

**BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, LBB 6-171,
Brooke Dupree, LSO Budget and Policy Analyst**

Ms. Dupree provided the FY 25 budget for the Lieutenant Governor to the Committee. The Lieutenant Governor is one of seven constitutional statewide elected officials and presides over the Idaho Senate. There is no enhancement request for FY 25.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Tanner**, for the Lieutenant Governor, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$2,300 for the 2% CEC. For FY 2025 an additional \$2,300 from the General Fund for the Lieutenant Governor; seconded by **Senator Herndon**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 20

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION:

**BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 COMMISSION ON AGING, LBB 6-47,
Brooke Dupree, LSO Budget and Policy Analyst**

Ms. Dupree provided to the Committee the FY 25 budget for the Commission on Aging, which helps older Idahoans age well and live well. The FY 25 budget request included three enhancements. —

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Furniss**, for the Commission on Aging beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add 1.00 FTP and \$83,000 for a financial specialist, \$805,500 for senior meal funding, \$1,800,000 to support state aging programs, and \$24,300 for the 2% CEC. For FY 2025, an additional \$899,500 from the General Fund, and \$1,813,300 from federal funds for a total of \$2,712,800 and additional full-time equivalent positions of 1.00 for the Commission on Aging.; seconded by **Senator Ward-Engelking**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 17**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3
Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING FY 2024 MILITARY DIVISION HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DEFICIENCY WARRANT- CASH TRANSFER, LBB 6-116, Frances Lippitt, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Ms. Lippitt stated the Military Division maintains combat and domestic emergency response readiness through the Idaho National Guard and guides the state's preparation for and response to emergencies through the Office of Emergency Management. The division has three budgeted programs: the Military Management Program, the Office of Emergency Management, and Federal/State Agreements. She presented the deficiency warrant from the Office of Emergency Management for Hazardous Materials Incident Response. The office expended \$30,700 to clean up hazardous materials incidents across the state, and a balance of \$22,000 was unrecoverable from incident originators, resulting in a charge to the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund. This motion would reimburse those charges to the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund from the General Fund.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Ward – Engelking**, for the fiscal year 2024, for the Military Division in the Office of Emergency Management Program, a onetime appropriation and transfer of \$22,000 from the General Fund to the continuously appropriated Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund; seconded by **Representative Petzke**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 19

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1

Representative Horman

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2024 MILITARY DIVISION SUPPLEMENTAL , LBB 6-116, Frances Lippitt, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Lippitt presented the budget request before the Committee. This action would provide a combined supplemental appropriation of \$17,089,600 in federal funds to the division's Federal /State Agreements program. This would provide an appropriation for the Army National Guard's Construction and Facilities maintenance program, which is increased by \$12 million annually. This increase is also requested as ongoing as a line item for FY 25. This action also includes \$5,089,600 for project costs that were committed in FY 23, but were not carried forward into FY 24. This would restore the FY 24 original appropriation for projects beginning in FY 24.

MOTION:

Moved by **Representative Petzke**, for fiscal year 2024, for the Military Division in the Federal/State Agreements Program, the addition of \$17,089,600 from the Federal Grant Fund; seconded by **Senator Ward-Engelking**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 16

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED:

Representative Horman

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 MILITARY DIVISION, LBB 6-113, Frances Lippitt, Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Lippitt presented the FY 25 Military Division budget request before the Committee.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Burtenshaw**, for the Military Division, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget, reduce \$197,100 in federal funds and add \$197,100 in dedicated funds for temporary positions. Add \$21,000 for employee development costs; \$12,000,000 for construction and facilities maintenance; \$462,100 for replacement items; and \$710,100 for the additional 2% change in employee compensation. Remove 6.00 full-time positions and add \$92,700 for IT consolidation in the Office of Information Technology Services. For FY 2025, an additional \$243,900 from the General Fund, \$710,900 from dedicated funds, and \$12,331,100 from federal funds for a total of \$13,285,900, and a reduction of 6.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Representative Furniss**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 17**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3
Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **BUDGET SETTING FY 2024 DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES SUPPLEMENTAL - REVERTED ARPA FUNDING, LBB 4-56, Janet Jessup, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Ms. Jessup presented the FY 24 supplementals for the Department of Water Resources to the Committee. The Idaho Department of Water Resources has existed since 1898 and includes the operations and functions of the state Water Resources Board. The supplemental presented was related to ARPA funding and is not new cash, rather the Committee appropriated the money to the Department of Water Resources and it was not encumbered as the agency had anticipated. The agency is asking for the permission to spend those funds.

DECLARATION: **Representative Raybould** declared a Rule 80.

MOTION: Moved by **Representative Raybould**, for fiscal year 2024, for the Department of Water Resources in the Planning and Technical Program a onetime appropriation and transfer of \$25,502,000 from the ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Fund; seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 17

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2024 DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES SUPPLEMENTAL - ADJUDICATION FEE LANGUAGE, LBB 4-56, Janet Jessup, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Jessup presented the FY 24 Department of Water Resources Supplemental Adjudication Fee Language to the Committee.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

Requested by **Senator Burtenshaw**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

ADJUDICATION FEE LANGUAGE:

Section_. FILING FEES. Notwithstanding Section 42-1414(1)(c), Idaho Code, it is the intent of the Legislature that moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act, for Idaho's general stream adjudications from the General Fund, count toward the filing fees required under Section 42- 1414(1)(a) and Section 42-1414(1)(b), Idaho Code, for water right claims filed in Idaho's general stream adjudications by the Idaho Water Resource Board and the Governor of the State of Idaho based on instream flow, public lake level maintenance or recreation. If the General Fund appropriation exceeds the amount required for the Idaho Water Resource Board's and the Governor's filing fees in the current fiscal year, the excess shall be counted toward future filing fees required for those same purposes. If the General Fund appropriation does not meet or exceed the fee required for claims of the Idaho Water Resource Board or the Governor of the State of Idaho, the Director of the Department of Water Resources shall grant an extension of time to the Idaho Water Resource Board or the Governor of the State of Idaho to file the claim, and the General Fund appropriation for the following fiscal year shall be counted toward the balance of the filing fee.

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION: BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, LBB 4-53, Janet Jessup, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst, LSO Budget and Policy Analysis

Ms. Jessup presented the FY 25 budget for the Department of Water Resources to the Committee. The governor recommended five distinct line items. In addition, the governor recommended \$30 million from the general fund for infrastructure projects.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Burtenshaw**, for the Department of Water Resources, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC maintenance budget, include \$716,000 from Revolving Development Fund for aquifer monitoring & measuring; \$19,900 for the relocation of the Salmon field office; \$90,000 for Laserfiche conversion; \$41,100 for Google Earth computing costs; \$19,600 for GIS mapping licenses; \$30,000,000 from the General Fund for water infrastructure projects; add \$206,500 for replacement items; and \$286,300 for the 2% CEC. For Department of Water Resources for FY 2025, an additional \$587,100 from the General Fund, \$65,900 from dedicated funds, and \$10,400 from federal funds for a total of \$663,400; seconded by **Representative Miller**.

DISCUSSION: **Senator Burtenshaw** stated including previous committee action, the totals for the FY 2025 budget includes \$24,212,200 from the General Fund, \$5,740,600 from dedicated funds, and \$51,847,200 from federal funds for a total of \$81,800,000, and a cap of 170.00 for full-time equivalent positions.

CARRIED: **AYES: 20**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Lambert, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Just** and seconded by **Senator Bjerke**, for two FY 2025 transfers and accept the following Transfer language:

TRANSFER LANGUAGE: SECTION_. CASH TRANSFER FOR AQUIFER MONITORING. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Water Resources and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$716,000 from the Revolving Development Fund to the Aquifer Planning and Management Fund on July 1, 2024, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, to be used for aquifer monitoring, measurement, and modeling.

SECTION_. CASH TRANSFER FOR LARGE WATER PROJECTS. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Water Resources and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$30,000,000 from the General Fund to the Water Management Fund on July 1, 2024, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, to be used for large water projects at direction of the Idaho Water Resources Board.

CARRIED:

AYES: 18

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 2

Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

The Majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed and without objection carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being 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_. FILING FEES. Notwithstanding Section 42-1414(1)(c), Idaho Code, it is the intent of the Legislature that moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act, for Idaho's general stream adjudications from the General Fund, count toward the filing fees required under Section 42-1414(1)(a) and Section 42-1414(1)(b), Idaho Code, for water right claims filed in Idaho's general stream adjudications by the Idaho Water Resource Board and the Governor of the State of Idaho based on instream flow, public lake level maintenance or recreation. If the General Fund appropriation exceeds the amount required for the Idaho Water Resource Board's and the Governor's filing fees in the current fiscal year, the excess shall be counted toward future filing fees required for those same purposes. If the General Fund appropriation does not meet or exceed the fee required for claims of the Idaho Water Resource Board or the Governor of the State of Idaho, the Director of the Department of Water Resources shall grant an extension of time to the Idaho Water Resource Board or the Governor of the State of Idaho to file the claim, and the General Fund appropriation for the following fiscal year shall be counted toward the balance of the filing fee.

**LSO STAFF
PRESENTATION:**

**BUDGET SETTING FY 2025 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY, LBB 4-3, Janet Jessup, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst,
LSO Budget and Policy Analysis**

Ms. Jessup presented the FY 25 budget for the Department of Environmental Quality, which was created by the legislature for the public's interest to protect human health and the environment, and includes six specific budgetary divisions that are represented in the budget.

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Just**; for the Department of Environmental Quality, beginning with the FY 2025 JFAC Maintenance Budget add \$342,800 for rent increases; 1.00 FTP and \$133,200 for a solid waste engineer; 1.00 FTP and \$102,500 for a rules and planning analyst; 1.00 FTP and \$101,900 for a grant officer position; 1.00 FTP and \$367,200 from dedicated funds for an IPDES data analyst and IPDES system improvements; 2.00 FTP and \$776,100 for the Gem State Air Quality Initiative; \$1,500,000 for the superfund cleanup project; \$1,140,400 for operations at the Bunker Hill site; a net zero shift of \$555,000 from the Bunker Hill Trust Fund to the Bunker Hill Central Treatment Plant Fund; \$2,000,000 for CAFO project grants; reduce \$758,900 to right-size dedicated and federal funds; and \$678,900 for the 2% CEC. For Department of Environmental Quality for FY 2025, an additional \$991,000 from the General Fund, \$1,367,000 from dedicated funds, and \$526,100 from federal funds for a total of \$2,884,100, and an additional 6.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

DISCUSSION: **Senator Just** stated for line item 6, the dedicated fund is the IPDES Program Fund. This motion includes language for transfers and reappropriation.

Representative Raybould spoke in favor of the motion, and shared insight on how Committee members arrived at the motion. For line item three, the air quality modeling analyst, members had originally looked to see if there were dedicated funds that were available for that position. However, in discussions with the agency, it was revealed that the particular fund that's associated with that program was not in a position to sustain the position, and so members opted to leave that position out of the motion. With line item six, the data analyst, members moved that position off of a general fund appropriation to a dedicated fund associated with the program in question.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 2
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

MOTION: Moved by **Senator Just**, seconded by **Representative Furniss** for two FY 25 transfers and to accept the following transfer language:

**TRANSFER
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION __: CASH TRANSFER FOR WASTE REMEDIATION. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Environmental Quality and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$1,500,000 from the Water Pollution Control Fund to the Environmental Remediation (Basin) Fund on July 1, 2024 soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, to be used for Superfund cleanup projects in the Coeur d'Alene Basin.

SECTION__ : CASH TRANSFER FOR AGRICULTURAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GENERAL FUND. Of the amount appropriated in Section 1 of this act, there is hereby appropriated and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$2,000,000 from the Department of Environmental Quality (General) Fund to the Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMP) Fund on July 1, 2024, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

CARRIED:

AYES: 19

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Herndon, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Tanner, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 1

Representative Lambert

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

CARRIED:

AYES: 17

Senators Grow, Bjerke, Burtenshaw, Lent, Cook, VanOrden, Adams, Ward-Engelking, Just
Representatives Horman, Miller, Bundy, Raybould, Furniss, Petzke, Handy and Green

NAYS: 3

Senator Herndon
Representatives Lambert and Tanner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: none

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

**UNANIMOUS
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Senator Herndon**, granted by unanimous consent, the following intent language was adopted:

**INTENT
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION_. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY for the Department of Environmental Quality (GENERAL) FUND. There is hereby reappropriated to the Department of Environmental Quality any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated to the Department of Environmental Quality in the Administration and Support Services Program from the Department of Environmental Quality (General) Fund for the electronic data management system for fiscal year 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 from the Department of Environmental Quality (General) Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to the electronic data management system 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.

ADJOURNED:

There being no further business before the Committee, **Co-Chairman Grow** adjourned the meeting at 10:___ a.m.

Senator Grow
Chair

Linsy Heiner
Secretary