

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS32733 / SJM105

The Albeni Falls Dam was constructed in 1954 with the approval of the residents and the State of Idaho. The Federal government made promises to the State to operate the dam responsibly. Some of those promises have been kept. Others, like the duration of summer-pool, have not been adhered to. Most recently, maintenance problems have plagued the dam and impacted its operation. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has been responsible for dam operations and maintenance since it was constructed 70 years ago. The power generated by the dam is used across the Northwest and is marketed by the Bonneville Power Authority. This Joint Memorial calls on the U.S. President, the House of Representatives, and the Senate to immediately make the necessary repairs to the dam and to re-evaluate the effectiveness of the USACE dam operations plan with consideration for the economic, long-term operations, and ownership of the Albeni Falls Dam.

### FISCAL NOTE

This legislation causes no additional expenditure of funds at the State or local level of government, nor does it cause an increase or decrease in revenue for State or local government, therefore the legislation has no fiscal impact.

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