

TITLE 67
STATE GOVERNMENT AND STATE AFFAIRS

CHAPTER 63
CONSTITUTIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL

67-6301. CONSTITUTIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL CREATED -- MEMBERS -- POWERS -- STAFF -- FUND. (1) There is hereby created the constitutional defense council which shall consist of the governor, the president pro tempore of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and the attorney general.

(2) The purpose of the council includes, but is not limited to, restoring, maintaining and advancing the sovereignty and authority over issues that affect this state and the well-being of its citizens.

(3) Meetings of the council may be called by any member and decisions of the council shall be made by a majority vote of the members.

(4) The council, in the name of the state or its citizens, may examine and challenge by legal action, legislation or any other legal means:

(a) Federal mandates.

(b) Court rulings.

(c) The authority granted to, or assumed by, the federal government.

(d) Laws, regulations and practices of the federal government.

(e) Any other activity that is deemed appropriate by the council.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the council may hire legal counsel for the purpose of this chapter and may utilize staff and resources within state government.

(5) There is hereby established in the state treasury the constitutional defense council fund which shall consist of appropriations, gifts, grants and other council moneys. Moneys in the council fund are continuously appropriated and shall be used for purposes enumerated in this chapter.

[67-6301, added 1995, ch. 327, sec. 2, p. 1096.]

67-6302. LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN ACTIONS. No action may be taken by any federal agency, state, state agency or any entity to introduce or to reintroduce any species into the state of Idaho without first securing the approval of the Idaho state legislature.

[67-6302, added 2000, ch. 416, sec. 1, p. 1327; am. 2017, ch. 135, sec. 1, p. 327.]