

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS WITH THE IDAHO STATE BUILDING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FINANCING TO CONSTRUCT A NEW MULTI-LEVEL PARKING FACILITY AND PROVIDING THIS AUTHORIZATION CONSTITUTES PRIOR LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO EVALUATE THE CURRENT PARKING PERMIT AND FEE STRUCTURE.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, there are 2,300 state employees in the Capitol Mall, 1,600 parking permits sold, but only 1,236 actual parking spaces available in the Capitol Mall, this shortage of available parking having been identified in numerous reports beginning in 1987; and

WHEREAS, each legislative session the parking problems are magnified for state employees, legislators and visiting members of the public; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a waiting list of approximately 200 names for a reserved parking space in the Capitol Mall that requires a wait of between five and eight years to receive a reserved permit; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Mall Master Plan has identified convenient locations in the Capitol Mall for a second multi-level parking facility; and

WHEREAS, there are efforts underway to remodel and renovate the Capitol Annex facility that will further add to the Capitol Mall parking needs; and

WHEREAS, the recently completed Capitol Restoration and Expansion Project has enabled more of Idaho citizens to participate in the legislative process, drawing more visitors to the Capitol Mall; and

WHEREAS, the timing is favorable for bonding a state construction project with historically low interest rates and favorable construction costs; and

WHEREAS, this construction project would provide new jobs and a significant boost to the local economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislature authorizes and approves the Department of Administration to enter into an agreement or agreements with the Idaho State Building Authority, under such terms and conditions as may be reasonable and necessary, to provide financing to construct a new multi-level parking facility, and that this resolution shall constitute prior legislative approval in accordance with Section 67-6410, Idaho Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature supports an evaluation of the current parking permits and fees charged by the Department of Administration, which have not been adjusted since 1976, as a means of support for the maintenance and operation of parking facilities.