LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Sixty-second Legislature

First Regular Session - 2013

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1169

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

1 AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE BOARD OF TAX APPEALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014; LIM-ITING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; AND PRO-VIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION.

5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Board of Tax Appeals from the General Fund, the following amounts to be expended for the designated expense classes, for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014:

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 Personnel Costs
 \$433,800

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 Operating Expenditures
 70,000

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 Capital Outlay
 1,000

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 TOTAL
 \$504,800

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the Board of Tax Appeals is authorized no more than five (5) full-time equivalent positions at any point during the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, unless specifically authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

SECTION 3. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. The Legislature finds that investing in state employee compensation should remain a high priority even in tough economic times, and therefore strongly encourages agency directors, institution executives and the Division of Financial Management to approve the use of salary savings to provide either one-time or ongoing merit increases for deserving employees, and also target employees who are below policy compensation. Such salary savings could result from turnover and attrition, or be the result of innovation and reorganization efforts that create savings. Such savings should be reinvested in employees. Agencies are cautioned to use one-time funding for one-time payments and ongoing funding for permanent pay increases.