

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
Sixty-first Legislature Second Regular Session - 2012

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 637

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013; LIMITING THE NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; EXEMPTING APPROPRIATION FROM OBJECT AND PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS; AND PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Attorney General, the following amounts to be expended according to the designated programs and expense classes, from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013:

	FOR PERSONNEL COSTS	FOR OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY	TOTAL
I. STATE LEGAL SERVICES:				
FROM:				
General				
Fund	\$15,155,600	\$689,900		\$15,845,500
American Reinvestment				
Fund		189,200		189,200
Consumer Protection				
Fund	320,600	166,800	\$38,000	525,400
Professional Services				
Fund	431,100	20,000		451,100
Federal Grant				
Fund	<u>698,200</u>	<u>346,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,044,800</u>
TOTAL	\$16,605,500	\$1,412,500	\$38,000	\$18,056,000
II. SPECIAL LITIGATION:				
FROM:				
General				
Fund		\$669,400		\$669,400
GRAND TOTAL	\$16,605,500	\$2,081,900	\$38,000	\$18,725,400

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the Attorney General is authorized no more than one hundred ninety-three and six-tenths (193.6) full-time equivalent positions at any

1 point during the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, unless specifi-
2 cally authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Commit-
3 tee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

4 SECTION 3. EXEMPTIONS FROM OBJECT AND PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS.
5 For fiscal year 2013, the Attorney General is hereby exempted from the pro-
6 visions of Section 67-3511(1), (2) and (3), Idaho Code, allowing unlimited
7 transfers between object codes and between programs, for all moneys appro-
8 priated to it for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013. Legislative
9 appropriations shall not be transferred from one fund to another fund unless
10 expressly approved by the Legislature.

11 SECTION 4. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS. The Legislature rec-
12 ognizes and thanks all state workers for their dedication, professionalism
13 and for the personal sacrifices they make every day in the performance of
14 their duties to serve our citizens. In accordance with the provisions of
15 Section 67-5309C, Idaho Code, the Legislature supports the Governor's rec-
16 ommendation in not making changes in annual salaries and benefits for state
17 employees based upon labor markets or specific occupational inequities;
18 directs agencies and institutions that have excess personnel cost appro-
19 priations or salary savings due to turnover to use such funding for a merit
20 increase component, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 67-5309B(4),
21 Idaho Code, to recognize and reward permanent and temporary state employ-
22 ees; and does provide funding to agencies and institutions to provide a two
23 percent (2%) pay increase for all classified and nonclassified permanent
24 performing employees. Performing employees shall be all permanent employ-
25 ees, including adjunct faculty at colleges and universities, who have been
26 rated as "achieves" or better on a performance plan if required by Division
27 of Human Resources rule, including probationary permanent employees making
28 satisfactory progress. The Legislature supports the Governor's recommenda-
29 tion to fund increases in the cost of health insurance benefits and directs
30 the director of the Department of Administration, as the administrator of
31 the state insurance plan, to maintain the current benefit package to the ex-
32 tent possible, which may require a cost sharing on the part of employees for
33 the increased cost of the health insurance plan.