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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1409

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT 1 APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015; LIMITING 2 THE NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; REAPPROPRIATING CERTAIN 3 UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED BALANCES; PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE 4 COMPENSATION; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT FOR THE USE OF CONFER-5 ENCE-RELATED ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT FOR THE PAYMENT 6 OF BANK SERVICE FEES; AND PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING IN-7 VESTMENT ACTIVITIES. 8

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the State Treasurer, the following amounts to be expended for the designated expense classes, from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015:

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14		PERSONNEL	OPERATING	
15		COSTS	EXPENDITURES	TOTAL
16	FROM:			
17	General			
18	Fund	\$874,200	\$508 , 600	\$1,382,800
19	State Treasurer LGIP			
20	Fund	391,000	113,600	504,600
21	Treasurer's Office - Professional Services			
22	Fund	391,100	341,100	732,200
23	Idaho Millennium Income			
24	Fund		80,000	80,000
25	Abandoned Property Trust - Unclaimed Property			
26	Fund	586,500	280,500	867,000
27	TOTAL	\$2,242,800	\$1,323,800	\$3,566,600

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the State Treasurer is authorized no more than twenty-six (26) full-time equivalent positions at any point during the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, unless specifically authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

SECTION 3. STATE TREASURER LGIP FUND REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the State Treasurer any unexpended and unencumbered balances of moneys in the State Treasurer Local Government Investment

Pool Fund as appropriated for fiscal year 2014, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures, for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

SECTION 4. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. It is the intent of the Legislature, working cooperatively with the Governor's Office, the Division of Human Resources, and the Division of Financial Management, to progress toward the goal of funding a competitive salary and benefit package that will attract qualified applicants, retain employees committed to public service excellence, motivate employees to maintain high standards of productivity, and reward employees for outstanding performance by:

- 1) Adjusting the compensation schedule upwards by 1% to move the salary structure toward market; and
- 2) Continuing the job classifications that are currently on payline exception to address specific recruitment or retention issues; and
- 3) Funding an ongoing 1% salary increase for state employees, and funding the equivalent of a one-time 1% bonus for state employees, based upon employee merit, with flexibility in distribution as determined by the agency directors.

The Legislature also 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 to 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.

SECTION 5. CONFERENCE-RELATED ACTIVITIES. It is the intent of the Legislature that no more than \$10,000 from the General Fund, as appropriated in Section 1 of this act, shall be spent on various conference-related activities, including sponsorships, in-kind donations, and information booths. No moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act from dedicated funds shall be used for conference-related activities unless otherwise provided for in Idaho Code; provided however, that in no event shall more than a total of \$10,000 from any fund source or combination thereof be used for said conference-related activities.

SECTION 6. PAYMENT OF BANK SERVICE FEES. Of the amount appropriated in Section 1 of this act, \$435,900 or so much thereof as is necessary, is to be used solely and only for the payment of bank service fees for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

SECTION 7. INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES. Notwithstanding any other provision of state law, it is the intent of the Legislature that the State Treasurer's policies governing the investment and management of idle funds and other funds accepted for investment pursuant to Sections 67-1210 and 67-1210A,

Idaho Code, shall conform with the Idaho Uniform Prudent Investor Act, Chapter 5, Title 68, Idaho Code. Other than the security lending agreements in place upon the effective date of this act, the State Treasurer shall not invest state funds or any other funds in his hands by use of securities lending agreements and shall conduct an orderly program to terminate his use of securities lending. The State Treasurer shall strengthen internal processes to prevent the override of controls and to segregate investment activities and decision-making to ensure the preservation of his fiduciary duty of undivided loyalty to both the state idle pool and the local government investment pool. This section shall not supersede any legislation regarding the State Treasurer's investment activities that may subsequently become law.