

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Second Regular Session - 2012

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1409

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013;
LIMITING THE NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; PROVIDING GUID-
ANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS; AND PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE
INTENT FOR THE IDAHO GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURIAL MISSION.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Commerce, the following amounts to be expended for the designated expense classes, from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013:

	FOR	FOR	FOR	FOR	
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	TRUSTEE AND	
	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	BENEFIT	TOTAL
				PAYMENTS	
FROM:					
General					
Fund	\$2,218,300	\$885,000		\$2,650,000	\$5,753,300
Tourism and Promotion					
Fund	713,500	3,885,800	\$16,700	3,764,900	8,380,900
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Fund	122,300	157,400			279,700
Small Business Assistance Fund					
Fund				50,000	50,000
Seminars and Publications					
Fund		378,400			378,400
Federal Grant					
Fund	<u>494,300</u>	<u>250,700</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>24,443,600</u>	<u>25,191,000</u>
TOTAL	\$3,548,400	\$5,557,300	\$19,100	\$30,908,500	\$40,033,300

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the Department of Commerce is authorized no more than fifty-three (53) full-time equivalent positions at any point during the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, 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 AND BENEFITS. The Legislature recognizes and thanks all state workers for their dedication, professionalism and for the personal sacrifices they make every day in the performance of

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

21 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. Of the amount appropriated in Section
22 1 of this act for grants that support the Idaho Global Entrepreneurial Mis-
23 sion, the director has the discretion to use these moneys, as much thereof as
24 is necessary, for the purposes prescribed in House Bill No. 546, as enacted
25 by the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, and for
26 grants toward the goals of the Business and Jobs Development Program. The
27 Department of Commerce, at the request of the co-chairmen, shall report to
28 the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, at its interim meeting, on the
29 development of metrics to track return on investment for all its grant pro-
30 grams and overall economic development. After the Joint Finance-Appropria-
31 tions Committee's interim meeting, the Department of Commerce shall provide
32 biennial updates to the Governor and the Joint Finance-Appropriations Com-
33 mittee for economic development and return on investment.