

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

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1377

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012; APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013; LIMITING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. In addition to the appropriation made in Section 2, Chapter 254, Laws of 2011, and any other appropriation provided for by law, there is hereby appropriated \$367,000 to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, for the Community Supported Employment Program, from the General Fund, to be expended for personnel costs, for the period July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, 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	FOR TRUSTEE AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS	TOTAL
I. COMMUNITY SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT:					
FROM:					
General					
Fund	\$433,600	\$23,700		\$3,248,300	\$3,705,600
II. RENAL DISEASE SERVICES:					
FROM:					
General					
Fund	\$70,000			\$352,700	\$422,700
III. VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION:					
FROM:					
General					
Fund	\$1,531,900	\$254,200		\$1,413,900	\$3,200,000

	FOR	FOR	FOR	FOR	
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	TRUSTEE AND	
	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	BENEFIT	TOTAL
				PAYMENTS	
Rehabilitation Revenue and Refunds					
Fund	1,078,500			3,000	1,081,500
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Fund				970,700	970,700
Federal Grant					
Fund	<u>6,839,100</u>	<u>1,171,700</u>	<u>\$82,200</u>	<u>7,629,500</u>	<u>15,722,500</u>
TOTAL	\$9,449,500	\$1,425,900	\$82,200	\$10,017,100	\$20,974,700
IV. COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING:					
FROM:					
General					
Fund	\$152,000	\$22,700			\$174,700
GRAND TOTAL	\$10,105,100	\$1,472,300	\$82,200	\$13,618,100	\$25,277,700

SECTION 3. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is authorized no more than one hundred fifty-one (151) 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 4. 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 their duties to serve our citizens. In accordance with the provisions of Section 67-5309C, Idaho Code, the Legislature supports the Governor's recommendation in not making changes in annual salaries and benefits for state employees based upon labor markets or specific occupational inequities; directs agencies and institutions that have excess personnel cost appropriations or salary savings due to turnover to use such funding for a merit increase component, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 67-5309B(4), Idaho Code, to recognize and reward permanent and temporary state employees; and does provide funding to agencies and institutions to provide a two percent (2%) pay increase for all classified and nonclassified permanent performing employees. Performing employees shall be all permanent employees, including adjunct faculty at colleges and universities, who have been rated as "achieves" or better on a performance plan if required by Division of Human Resources rule, including probationary permanent employees making satisfactory progress. The Legislature supports the Governor's recommendation to fund increases in the cost of health insurance benefits and directs the director of the Department of Administration, as the administrator of

1 the state insurance plan, to maintain the current benefit package to the ex-
2 tent possible, which may require a cost sharing on the part of employees for
3 the increased cost of the health insurance plan.

4 SECTION 5. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
5 declared to exist, Section 1 of this act shall be in full force and effect on
6 and after passage and approval.