

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS29196 / H0449

This legislation reimburses the Department of Environmental Quality, Military Division, and Idaho Department of Agriculture for prior fiscal year costs for deficiency warrants. Idaho Code authorizes the use of deficiency warrants under certain circumstances. The agencies pay the bills and return to the Legislature during the next session for the cash to reimburse those costs.

Section 39-6502(3), Idaho Code, authorizes the use of deficiency warrants for the removal of waste tires declared a public nuisance. Section 39-7110, Idaho Code, authorizes the use of deficiency warrants for the cleanup of hazardous material incidents throughout Idaho. Chapters 19 and 20, Title 22, Idaho Code, authorizes the use of deficiency warrants for the monitoring and mitigation of invasive species and pests.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill makes three transfers from the General Fund to dedicated deficiency warrant funds. These are the actual costs incurred in FY 2021.

For the Idaho Department of Agriculture this bill appropriates and transfers \$368,400 from the General Fund to the Pest Control Deficiency Warrant Fund for FY 2022. The Idaho Department of Agriculture issued deficiency warrants that included \$23,200 for exotic pest monitoring, \$272,100 for Mormon Cricket abatement, and \$73,100 for Japanese Beetle treatment. As a result, the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee approved \$368,400 from the General Fund to transfer into the Pest Control Deficiency Warrant Fund.

For the Military Division this bill appropriates and transfers \$12,000 from the General Fund to the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund for FY 2022. The Military Division issued deficiency warrants that included \$29,800 for hazardous materials, \$2,200 for biological threats, and \$900 for explosive material. The agency recovered \$20,900, which resulted in a net deficiency of \$12,000. As a result, the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee approved \$12,000 from the General Fund to transfer into the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund.

For the Department of Environmental Quality this bill appropriates and transfers \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Waste Tire Disposal Deficiency Warrant Fund for FY 2022. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality issued deficiency warrants that included \$25,000 to remove 2,500 waste tires from a property that had been declared a public nuisance by the City of Dubois. As a result, the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee approved \$25,000 from the General Fund to transfer into the Waste Tire Disposal Deficiency Warrant Fund.

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