

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27805 / S1361

This is the FY 2021 original appropriation bill for the Public Utilities Commission. It appropriates a total of \$6,554,200 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 49.00. For benefit costs, the bill maintains the current appropriated amount for health insurance at \$11,650 per eligible FTP and temporarily removes funding for the employer's sick leave contribution rate. Funding for replacement items includes \$28,200 for software maintenance. The bill also provides funding for the equivalent of a 2% change in employee compensation for permanent state employees, with an additional 2% increase for those in the 20 job classifications most in need of equity adjustments. The bill funds one line item, which provides \$8,100 for a 2% change in employee compensation for the three Public Utilities Commissioners. Also included are adjustments to pay the Office of Information Technology Services for security software and data center office space located at the Chinden Campus; and software licensing, server infrastructure, and storage to expand system capabilities on core systems and to maintain agency-specific software. Section 3 of the bill amends Section 61-215, Idaho Code, to raise the Public Utilities Commissioners' annual salary to \$112,275 to allow for the 2% increase funded in line item 1.

### FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2020 Original Appropriation	49.00	0	6,301,700	332,800	6,634,500
Reappropriation	0.00	0	1,438,300	0	1,438,300
1. Sick Leave Rate Reduction	0.00	0	(8,300)	(500)	(8,800)
FY 2020 Total Appropriation	49.00	0	7,731,700	332,300	8,064,000
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	0	(1,525,500)	0	(1,525,500)
Restore Ongoing Rescissions	0.00	0	8,300	500	8,800
FY 2021 Base	49.00	0	6,214,500	332,800	6,547,300
Benefit Costs	0.00	0	(15,700)	(700)	(16,400)
Replacement Items	0.00	0	28,200	0	28,200
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	0	(103,500)	0	(103,500)
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	0	68,800	4,500	73,300
FY 2021 Program Maintenance	49.00	0	6,192,300	336,600	6,528,900
1. Commissioner CEC	0.00	0	8,100	0	8,100
OITS 1 - Operating Costs	0.00	0	600	0	600
OITS 2 - Servers and Licensing	0.00	0	16,600	0	16,600
FY 2021 Total	49.00	0	6,217,600	336,600	6,554,200
Chg from FY 2020 Orig Approp	0.00	0	(84,100)	3,800	(80,300)
% Chg from FY 2020 Orig Approp.	0.0%		(1.3%)	1.1%	(1.2%)

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