

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND CREATING A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
2 TO UNDERTAKE AND COMPLETE A STUDY OF THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE  
3 PLAN ACT OF 2021 FUNDS FOR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE.  
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5 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 WHEREAS, the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), P.L.  
7 117-2, was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Joseph Biden  
8 on March 11, 2021; and

9 WHEREAS, Section 9901 of ARPA creates the Coronavirus State Fiscal Re-  
10 recovery Fund, which includes water infrastructure projects as allowable uses  
11 of the fund; and

12 WHEREAS, Idaho's estimated share of federal funding from the U.S. De-  
13 partment of the Treasury through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund  
14 will be \$1.19 billion available until December 31, 2024.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Ses-  
16 sion of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and  
17 the Senate concurring therein, that a committee is hereby created to under-  
18 take and complete a study of the expenditure of ARPA funds for water infra-  
19 structure. The committee shall be composed of the members of the House of  
20 Representatives Resources and Conservation Committee and the members of the  
21 Senate Resources and Environment Committee. The committee shall study and  
22 make recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho  
23 Legislature regarding the expenditure of federal funds received for water  
24 infrastructure under ARPA.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in voting upon any motion before the commit-  
26 tee, separate votes shall be taken of the representatives serving on the com-  
27 mittee and of the senators serving on the committee. A majority of the sen-  
28 ators and a majority of the representatives shall be required to approve any  
29 motion before the full committee.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee is authorized to receive in-  
31 put, advice, and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not  
32 members of the Legislature.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall report its findings,  
34 recommendations, and proposed legislation, if any, to the Second Regular  
35 Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature.