STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25722

In conjunction with Executive Order 2017-13, the purpose of this legislation is to make the Workforce Development Council more responsive to the needs of Idaho employers; to address the shortage of well-educated, trained, and skilled employees available in Idaho's labor market; and to help ensure Idaho's continued economic growth by implementing recommendations of the Governor's Workforce Development Task Force. It provides for the Council's authority over workforce development policy and programs and the disbursement of monies in the Workforce Development Training Fund. It also provides for the Council's role as the State Workforce Investment Board in accordance with the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. In addition, the legislation authorizes use of the Workforce Development Training Fund for public information and outreach on career education and workforce training opportunities, and it removes references in Idaho Code to the Career Information System.

FISCAL NOTE

The Governor's Executive Budget recommends an appropriation of 5.0 FTP, \$471,700 in Personnel Costs (\$379,300 dedicated, \$92,400 federal), \$396,900 in Operating Expenditures (\$346,900 dedicated, \$50,000 federal), and \$7,684,500 in Trustee/Benefit Payments (all dedicated) for the Workforce Development Council. This appropriation is offset by a reduction at the Department of Labor and the net impact is a reduction of 7.42 FTP and \$521,300.

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