LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO Sixty-fifth Legislature First Regular Session - 2019

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 184

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- 2 RELATING TO FINANCIAL AUDITS; AMENDING SECTION 67-450B, IDAHO CODE, TO RE 3 VISE PROVISIONS REGARDING EXPENDITURE LEVELS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EN 4 TITIES SUBJECT TO AUDITS.
- 5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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6 SECTION 1. That Section 67-450B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 7 amended to read as follows:

8 67-450B. INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES -- FILING REQUIREMENTS. (1) The requirements set forth in this section are 9 minimum audit requirements for all local governmental entities, and in-10 clude, without limitation, all cities, counties, authorities and districts 11 organized as separate legal and reporting entities under Idaho law, and 12 13 include the councils, commissions and boards as appointed or elected and charged with fiscal management responsibilities of the local governmental 14 entity. 15

Audits under these requirements are to be performed by independent auditors in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing standards, as defined by the United States general accountability office. The auditor shall be employed on written contract.

The entity's governing body shall be required to include in its annual budget all necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions of this section.

The entity shall file one (1) copy of each completed audit report with the legislative services office within nine (9) months after the end of the audit period.

(2) The minimum requirements for any audit performed under the provi-sions of this section are:

(a) The governing body of a local governmental entity whose annual expenditures (from all sources) exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars
(\$250,000) shall cause a full and complete audit of its financial statements to be made each fiscal year.

The governing body of a local governmental entity whose annual 32 (b) expenditures (from all sources) exceed one hundred fifty thousand dol-33 lars (\$1050,000), but do not exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars 34 (\$250,000) in the current year, shall have an annual audit or may elect 35 36 to have its financial statements audited on a biennial basis. The first year that expenditures exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars 37 (\$1050,000) is the first year of the biennial audit period. The local 38 government governmental entity may continue the biennial audit cycle 39 in subsequent years as long as the entity's annual expenditures during 40 the first year of the biennial audit period do not exceed two hundred 41 fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). In the event that annual expen-42

ditures exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) in the current year following a year in which a biennial audit was completed, the local government governmental entity shall complete an annual audit. In the event that annual expenditures in the current year do not exceed one hundred <u>fifty</u> thousand dollars (\$1050,000) following a year in which an annual or biennial audit was completed, the local government governmental entity has no minimum audit requirement.

8 (c) The governing body of a local governmental entity whose annual ex 9 penditures (from all sources) do not exceed one hundred <u>fifty</u> thousand
10 dollars (\$1050,000) has no minimum audit requirements under this sec 11 tion.

(d) Federal audit requirements applicable because of expenditure of
federal assistance supersede the minimum audit requirements provided
in this section.