

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 STATING FINDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND OBLIGATING FUNDS FROM  
3 THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR CHILD CARE INFRASTRUCTURE.

4 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Idaho:

5 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives finds that the American Rescue  
6 Plan Act (ARPA), P.L. 117-2, as passed by Congress and signed into law, al-  
7 located \$1,094,018,353 to the State of Idaho for the State Fiscal Recovery  
8 Fund; and

9 WHEREAS, projects associated with the State Fiscal Recovery Fund must  
10 be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026; and

11 WHEREAS, one of the four allowable uses of the State Fiscal Recovery  
12 Fund is to support the COVID-19 public health and economic response, includ-  
13 ing by providing aid for child care; and

14 WHEREAS, Idaho has widespread challenges with access, affordability,  
15 and quality in early learning and child care settings; and

16 WHEREAS, challenges to child care access is driven by a lack of supply of  
17 child care centers.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the House of Represen-  
19 tatives, assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho  
20 Legislature, that \$49,999,900 be obligated from the State Fiscal Recovery  
21 Fund to provide for child care infrastructure expansion grants to increase  
22 the number of child care slots available to working families.