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## IN THE SENATE

## SENATE BILL NO. 1113, As Amended in the House

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## AN ACT

2 RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6601, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE PURPOSE OF THE ACT; AMENDING SECTION 67-6602, IDAHO CODE, 3 TO REVISE DEFINITIONS AND TO DEFINE A TERM; AMENDING SECTION 67-6604, 4 5 IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSPECTION OF CERTAIN POLITICAL ACCOUNTS BY A COUNTY CLERK, TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE, AND TO MAKE TECH-6 NICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6606, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE 7 A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING 8 SECTION 67-6607, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING REPORTS OF 9 10 CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES BY CANDIDATES AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES; REPEALING SECTION 67-6608, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE DISPOSITION OF 11 UNEXPENDED BALANCES; AMENDING CHAPTER 66, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE 12 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-6608, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR LIMITED 13 APPLICATION OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING LAWS TO CERTAIN ELECTIONS; 14 15 AMENDING SECTION 67-6609, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REF-ERENCE AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6610A, 16 IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING CONTRIBUTION LIMITS AND 17 TO PROVIDE FOR APPLICABILITY TO SPECIAL ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 18 19 67-6610B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 67-6612, IDAHO CODE, RELATING 20 TO THE CONTENT OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6615, 21 IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESPECTIVE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF 22 STATE AND OF COUNTY CLERKS REGARDING THE INSPECTION OF STATEMENTS PUR-23 SUANT TO THIS CHAPTER, TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE INTENT, AND TO MAKE TECH-24 NICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6616, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE 25 26 FOR THE RESPECTIVE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND OF COUNTY CLERKS REGARDING THE EXAMINATION OF STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO THIS CHAP-27 TER AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6621, IDAHO 28 CODE, TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORREC-29 TIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6623, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESPEC-30 31 TIVE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND OF COUNTY CLERKS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-6625A, IDAHO CODE, TO RE-32 33 VISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF A LATE FEE AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR COUNTY CLERK SHALL PROVIDE NOTIFICATION TO 34 PERSONS WHO HAVE FAILED TO FILE A REOUIRED STATEMENT OR REPORT; AMENDING 35 SECTION 67-6626, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ROLE OF A COUNTY CLERK IN 36 AN INJUNCTION TO ENFORCE THE CHAPTER AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; 37 REPEALING SECTION 1-2220A, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE RE-38 39 PORTING FOR MAGISTRATE RETENTION ELECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 31-2012, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE APPLICATION OF CAMPAIGN REPORTING LAW TO 40 CERTAIN COUNTY ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 33-503, IDAHO CODE, TO 41 42 REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING 43 SECTION 33-2106, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING CAMPAIGN 44 FINANCE REPORTING FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE ELECTIONS AND TO MAKE 45

TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 40-1417, IDAHO CODE, RELAT ING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING FOR COUNTY-WIDE HIGHWAY DISTRICT
 ELECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 50-420, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO CAMPAIGN
 FINANCE REPORTING IN CERTAIN CITY ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 50-2006,
 IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE; REPEALING SECTION
 6 67-4931, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING FOR AUDITO 7 RIUM DISTRICT ELECTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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9 SECTION 1. That Section 67-6601, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 10 amended to read as follows:

11 67-6601. PURPOSE OF ACT CHAPTER. The purpose of this act chapter is:

(a1) To promote public confidence in government; and

(b2) To promote openness in government and avoiding secrecy and to
 promote transparency by those giving financial support to state election
 campaigns and those promoting or opposing legislation or attempting to in fluence executive or administrative actions for compensation at the state
 level.

- 18 SECTION 2. That Section 67-6602, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 67-6602. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter, the following terms 21 have the following meanings:
- (a1) "Candidate" means an individual who has taken affirmative action
   to seek nomination or election to public office. An individual shall be
   deemed to have taken affirmative action to seek such nomination or election
   to public office when he first:
  - (1) Receives contributions or makes expenditures or reserves space or facilities with intent to promote his candidacy for office; or
- 28 (2) Announces publicly or files for office
- 29 seeks nomination, election, or reelection to public office and who has taken 30 any of the following actions:

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31	<u>(a)</u>	Announced the individual's candidacy publicly;
32	(b)	Filed for public office;
33	(C)	Received a contribution for the purpose of promoting the individ-
34	ual	's candidacy for office; or
35	(d)	Made an expenditure, contracted for services, or reserved space
36	with	n the intent of promoting the individual's candidacy for office.
37	(3)	For purposes of this chapter, an incumbent shall be presumed to be
38	a ca	andidate in the subsequent election for his or her office. Contri-
39	but:	ions received by an incumbent candidate shall not be in excess of the
40	pres	scribed contribution limits for the subsequent election by which the

incumbent candidate's name would first appear on the ballot. An incumbent shall no longer be a candidate for his or her office after the deadline for the filing of a declaration of candidacy to first appear on the
ballot for that office has expired, until the incumbent has failed to
file a declaration of candidacy by the statutory deadline.

(b2) "Compensation" includes any advance, conveyance, forgiveness of 1 2 indebtedness, deposit, distribution, loan, payment, gift, pledge or transfer of money or anything of value, and any contract, agreement, promise or 3 other obligation, whether or not legally enforceable, to do any of the fore-4 5 going, for services rendered or to be rendered, but does not include reimbursement of expenses if such reimbursement does not exceed the amount ac-6 7 tually expended for such expenses and is substantiated by an itemization of such expenses. 8

(e3) "Contribution" includes any advance, conveyance, forgiveness of 9 indebtedness, deposit, distribution, loan, payment, gift, pledge, sub-10 11 scription or transfer of money or anything of value, and any contract, agreement, promise or other obligation, whether or not legally enforceable, to 12 make a contribution, in support of or in opposition to any candidate, polit-13 ical committee or measure. Such term also includes personal funds or other 14 property of a candidate or members of his household expended or transferred 15 16 to cover expenditures incurred in support of such candidate but does not include personal funds used to pay the candidate filing fee. Such term also 17 includes the rendering of personal and professional services for less than 18 full consideration, but does not include ordinary home hospitality or the 19 rendering of "part-time" personal services of the sort commonly performed 20 21 by volunteer campaign workers or advisors or incidental expenses not in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) personally paid for by any volunteer 22 campaign worker. "Part-time" services, for the purposes of this definition, 23 means services in addition to regular full-time employment, or, in the case 24 of an unemployed person or persons engaged in part-time employment, services 25 rendered without compensation or reimbursement of expenses from any source 26 other than the candidate or political committee for whom such services are 27 rendered. For the purposes of this act, contributions, other than money or 28 its equivalent shall be deemed to have a money value equivalent to the fair 29 market value of the contribution. 30

31 (d<u>4</u>) "Election" means any <u>state or local</u> general, special, recall, or 32 primary election.

(e5) "Election campaign" means any campaign in support of or in opposi tion to a candidate for election to public office and any campaign in support
 of, or in opposition to, a measure.

(f<u>6</u>) (<u>1a</u>) "Electioneering communication" means any communication
 broadcast by television or radio, printed in a newspaper or on a bill board, directly mailed or delivered by hand to personal residences, or
 telephone calls made to personal residences, or otherwise distributed
 that:

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- (i) Unambiguously refers to any candidate; and
- 42 (ii) Is broadcasted, printed, mailed, delivered, made or dis43 tributed within thirty (30) days before a primary election or
  44 sixty (60) days before a general election; and
- (iii) Is broadcasted to, printed in a newspaper, distributed to,
  mailed to or delivered by hand to, telephone calls made to, or
  otherwise distributed to an audience that includes members of the
  electorate for such public office.
- 49 (2b) "Electioneering communication" does not include:

Any news articles, editorial endorsements, opinion or com-1 (i) 2 mentary, writings, or letter to the editor printed in a newspaper, magazine, or other periodical not owned or controlled by a candi-3 date, political committee, or political party; 4 (ii) Any editorial endorsements or opinions aired by a broadcast 5 facility not owned or controlled by a candidate, political commit-6 tee, or political party; 7 (iii) Any communication by persons made in the regular course and 8 scope of their business or any communication made by a membership 9 10 organization solely to members of such organization and their families; 11 (iv) Any communication which that refers to any candidate only as 12 part of the popular name of a bill or statute; 13 A communication which that constitutes an expenditure or an 14 (v) independent expenditure under this chapter. 15 16 (<del>q</del>7) "Executive official" means: (1a) The governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state con-17 troller, state treasurer, attorney general, superintendent of public 18 instruction and any deputy or staff member of one (1) any of those indi-19 20 viduals who, within the course and scope of his or her employment, is directly involved in major policy-influencing decisions for the office; 21 (2b) A state department or agency director, deputy director, division 22 administrator or bureau chief as established and enumerated in sections 23 67-2402 and 67-2406, Idaho Code; 24 (3c) The membership and the executive or chief administrative officer 25 of any board or commission that is authorized to make rules or conduct 26 rulemaking activities pursuant to section 67-5201, Idaho Code; 27 (4d) The membership and the executive or chief administrative officer 28 of any board or commission that governs any of the state departments 29 enumerated in section 67-2402, Idaho Code, not including public school 30 districts; 31 (5e) The membership and the executive or chief administrative officer 32 of the Idaho public utilities commission, the Idaho industrial commis-33 sion, and the Idaho state tax commission; and 34 (6f) The members of the governing board of the state insurance fund<sub> $\tau$ </sub> and 35 the members of the governing board and the executive or chief adminis-36 trative officer of the Idaho housing and finance association, the Idaho 37 energy resources authority, and the Idaho state building authority. 38 (h8) "Expenditure" includes any payment, contribution, subscription, 39 distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money or anything of value, 40 and includes a contract, promise, or agreement, whether or not legally en-41 forceable, to make an expenditure. The term "expenditure" also includes a 42 promise to pay, a payment or a transfer of anything of value in exchange for 43 goods, services, property, facilities or anything of value for the purpose 44 of assisting, benefiting or honoring any public official or candidate, or 45 assisting in furthering or opposing any election campaign. 46  $(\pm 9)$  "Independent expenditure" means any expenditure by a person for 47

(<u>i9</u>) "Independent expenditure" means any expenditure by a person for
 a communication expressly advocating the election, passage or defeat of a
 clearly identified candidate or measure that is not made with the coopera tion or with the prior consent of, or in consultation with, or at the consent

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of, or in consultation with, or at the request of a suggestion of, a candidate or any agent or authorized committee of the candidate or political committee supporting or opposing a measure. As used in this subsection, "expressly advocating" means any communication containing a message advocating election, passage or defeat including, but not limited to, the name of the candidate or measure, or expression such as "vote for," "elect," "support," "cast your ballot for," "vote against," "defeat" or "reject."

(j10) "Lobby" and "lobbying" each means attempting through contacts 8 with, or causing others to make contact with, members of the legislature or 9 legislative committees or an executive official  $\tau$  to influence the approval, 10 11 modification or rejection of any legislation by the legislature of the state of Idaho or any committee thereof or by the governor or to develop or main-12 tain relationships with, promote goodwill with, or entertain members of the 13 legislature or executive officials. "Lobby" and "lobbying" shall also mean 14 communicating with an executive official for the purpose of influencing the 15 16 consideration, amendment, adoption or rejection of any rule or rulemaking as defined in section 67-5201, Idaho Code, or any ratemaking decision, procure-17 ment, contract, bid or bid process, financial services agreement, or bond 18 issue. Neither "lobby" nor "lobbying" includes an association's or other 19 organization's act of communicating with the members of that association 20 21 or organization; and provided that neither "lobby" nor "lobbying" includes communicating with an executive official for the purpose of carrying out 22 23 ongoing negotiations following the award of a bid or a contract, communications involving ongoing legal work and negotiations conducted by and with 24 attorneys for executive agencies, interactions between parties in litiga-25 tion or other contested matters, or communications among and between members 26 27 of the legislature and executive officials and their employees, or by state employees while acting in their official capacity or within the course and 28 scope of their employment. 29

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 $(\pm 11)$  "Lobbyist" includes any person who lobbies.

31 (±12) "Lobbyist's employer" means the person or persons by whom a lob-32 byist is employed, directly or indirectly, and all persons by whom he is com-33 pensated for acting as a lobbyist.

(m13) "Local government office" means any publicly elected office for
 any political subdivision of the state or special district that is not a leg islative, judicial, statewide, or federal office.

(14) "Measure" means any proposal, to be voted statewide, submitted to 37 the people for their approval or rejection at an election, including any ini-38 39 tiative, referendum, recall election for statewide or legislative district offices, or revision of or amendment to the state constitution. An initia-40 tive or referendum proposal shall be deemed a measure when the attorney gen-41 eral, county prosecutor, or city attorney, as appropriate, reviews it and 42 gives it a ballot title. A recall shall be deemed a measure upon approval of 43 the recall petition as to form pursuant to section 34-1704, Idaho Code. 44

(n<u>15</u>) "Nonbusiness entity" means any group of two (2) or more individ uals, <u>a</u> corporation, association, firm, partnership, committee, club or
 other organization which <u>that</u>:

(1a) Does not have as its principal purpose the conduct of business ac tivities for profit; and

(2b) Received during the preceding or current calendar year contribu-1 2 tions, gifts or membership fees, which in the aggregate exceeded ten percent (10%) of its total receipts for such year. 3

(016) "Person" means an individual, corporation, association, firm, 4 5 partnership, committee, political party, club or other organization or group of persons. 6 (p17) "Political committee" means:

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(1a) Any person specifically designated to support or oppose any candidate or measure; or

- 10 (2b) Any person who receives contributions and makes expenditures in an amount exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) one thousand dollars 11 (\$1,000) in any calendar year for the purpose of supporting or opposing 12 one (1) or more candidates or measures. Any entity registered with the 13 federal election commission shall not be considered a political commit-14 tee for purposes of this chapter. 15
- 16  $(\exists c)$  A county, district or regional committee of a recognized political party shall not be considered a political committee for the purposes 17 of this chapter unless such party committee has expenditures exceeding 18 five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in a calendar year. 19
- (q18) "Political treasurer" means an individual appointed by a candi-20 21 date or political committee as provided in section 67-6603, Idaho Code.

(±19) "Public office" means any local, legislative, judicial, or state 22 office or position, state senator, state representative, and judge of the 23 district court that is filled by election but does not include the office of 24 precinct committeeman. 25

SECTION 3. That Section 67-6604, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 26 27 amended to read as follows:

67-6604. ACCOUNTS OF POLITICAL TREASURER. (a1) The political trea-28 surer for each candidate or political committee shall keep detailed 29 accounts, current within not more than seven (7) days after the date of 30 receiving the contribution or making an expenditure, of all contributions 31 received and all expenditures made by or on behalf of the candidate or polit-32 33 ical committee that are required to be set forth in a statement filed under this act chapter. 34

35 (b2) Accounts kept by the political treasurer for a candidate or polit-36 ical committee may be inspected, before the election to which the accounts 37 refer $_{\mathcal{T}}$  by the Secretary of Sstate, or county clerk for local government offices or measures, or his agent or employee, who is making an investigation 38 pursuant to section 67-6615, Idaho Code. 39

(e3) Accounts kept by a political treasurer shall be preserved by him 40 for at least one (1) year after the date of the election to which the accounts 41 42 refer or at least one (1) year after the date the last supplemental statement is filed under section 67-66097, Idaho Code, whichever is later. 43

SECTION 4. That Section 67-6606, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 44 amended to read as follows: 45

67-6606. EXPENDITURES BY NONBUSINESS ENTITY. (1) Any nonbusiness 46 47 entity, which that is not a political committee as defined in section 1 67-6602(p), Idaho Code, making expenditures in or directed to voters in the 2 state of Idaho in an amount exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any 3 calendar year for the purpose of supporting or opposing one (1) or more can-4 didates or measures shall file a statement with the secretary of state. The 5 statement shall include:

6 7 (a) The name and address of the nonbusiness entity and the name and address of its principal officer or directors.

(b) The name and address of each person whose fees, dues, payments
or other consideration paid to such nonbusiness entity during either
of the prior two (2) calendar years has exceeded five hundred dollars
(\$500) or who has paid or has agreed to pay fees, dues, payments or other
consideration exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) to such entity during the current year.

(2) This statement shall be filed within thirty (30) days of when the
 one thousand dollar (\$1,000) threshold mentioned in subsection (1) of this
 section is exceeded.

17 SECTION 5. That Section 67-6607, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 18 amended to read as follows:

19 67-6607. REPORTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES BY CANDIDATES AND 20 <u>POLITICAL COMMITTEES</u>. (a1) The political treasurer for each candidate and 21 the political treasurer of each political committee shall file with the sec-22 retary of state:

(1) Not more than fourteen (14) days and not less than seven (7) days 23 before the date of a primary election in which the candidate or polit-24 ical committee is involved, a statement of all contributions received 25 26 and all expenditures or and encumbrances made by or on behalf of the candidate or political committee prior to the fifteenth day before the pri-27 mary election;, according to the schedule provided in this section. The 28 statement shall itemize each contribution received and each expendi-29 30 ture or encumbrance made during the reporting period and shall include 31 the following:

(a) Under contributions, the statement shall include a list of all the contributions received, including any funds or property of the candi date used to cover expenditures. The statement shall list the full name and complete address of each person who contributed an aggregate amount of more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and the amount contributed by that person. The statement may list as a single item the total amount of contributions of fifty dollars (\$50.00) or less; and

(b) Under expenditures, the statement shall include the name and ad-39 dress of each person to whom an expenditure or encumbrance was made in 40 the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) or more, and the amount, 41 42 date, and purpose of each such expenditure. Each expenditure or encumbrance in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) or more shall be 43 44 evidenced by an invoice, receipt, or canceled check or an accurate copy thereof. Such evidence shall not be filed with the statement but shall 45 be retained by the committee or candidate for a period of one (1) year 46 47 after the statement has been filed. The statement may list as a single item the total amount of expenditures and encumbrances of less than 48 49 twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) without showing the exact amount of or re-

quiring evidence of each such expenditure or encumbrance. Anything of 1 2 value, other than money, paid for or contributed by any person shall be listed both as an expenditure and as a contribution. 3 (2) Not more than thirty (30) days after the date of a primary election 4 in which a candidate or a political committee is involved, a statement 5 of all contributions received and all expenditures or encumbrances made 6 by or on behalf of the candidate or political committee to cover the pe-7 riod since the fifteenth day before the primary election to and includ-8 ing the tenth day after the primary election; 9 (3) For all political committees supporting or opposing measures, a 10 11 statement of all contributions received and all expenditures or encumbrances made by or on behalf of the measure or any candidate or made by 12 or against the measure or any candidate shall be filed on the same dates 13 provided in paragraphs (1), (2), (4), (5) and (6) of this subsection; 14 (4) Not later than October 10 immediately preceding a general election 15 16 in which the candidate or political committee is involved, a statement of all contributions received and all expenditures or encumbrances made 17 by or on behalf of the candidate or political committee since and in-18 cluding the eleventh day after the date of the primary election and to 19 20 and including September 30; 21 (5) Not more than fourteen (14) days and not less than seven (7) days before the date of a general election in which the candidate or polit-22 ical committee is involved, a statement of all contributions received 23 and all expenditures or encumbrances made by or on behalf of the can-24 didate or political committee since and including October 1 and to and 25 including the sixteenth day before the general election, together with 26 a cumulative statement showing all such contributions and expenditures 27 or encumbrances to and including the sixteenth day before the general 28 election; and 29 (6) Not more than thirty (30) days after the date of a general election 30 in which the candidate or political committee is involved, a statement 31 of all contributions received and all expenditures or encumbrances made 32 by or on behalf of the candidate or political committee to cover the pe-33 riod since the fifteenth day before the general election to and includ-34 ing the tenth day after the general election. 35 For the first report under this section, the reporting period 36 (<del>b</del>2) shall cover the period beginning with the first contribution, expenditure, 37 or encumbrance through the end of the current reporting period. The trea-38 39 surer for a candidate or political committee or ballot measure shall file the report described under subsection (1) of this section as follows: 40 (a) In the year of the election, a monthly report shall be filed for each 41 month of the year. Each report shall be filed by the tenth day of the 42 month following the month being reported; and 43 (b) For the nonelection year, an annual report covering the nonelection 44 year shall be filed by January 10 of the following year. 45 (e3) Notwithstanding any other reports required under this section, 46 47 the political treasurer for each any candidate and any political committee shall notify the secretary of state, in writing, of any contribution 48 of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more, received by the political trea-49 surer after the sixteenth day before, but more than forty-eight (48) hours 50

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before, any primary or general election. This notification shall be made within forty-eight (48) hours after the receipt of such contribution and shall include the name of the candidate, political committee or measure, the identification of the contributor, and the date of receipt and amount of the contribution. The notification shall be in addition to the reporting of these contributions in the postelection report regular reports.

7 (d4) For aAll reports required pursuant to this section shall be filed
8 online with the secretary of state shall accept the date of a postmark as the
9 date of receipt except for the seven (7) day preelection reports which must
10 be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh day preceding the pri11 mary or general election, unless a waiver has been provided under section
12 67-6623, Idaho Code, by no later than midnight on the date the filing is due.

(e5) Any rReports required to be filed under the provisions of this section may also shall be filed by means of an electronic facsimile transmission
 machine and may be filed by other electronic means as approved by the sector retary of state until the account no longer shows any unexpended balance of
 contributions or expenditure deficit.

18 SECTION 6. That Section <u>67-6608</u>, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 19 repealed.

20 SECTION 7. That Chapter 66, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is 21 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and des-22 ignated as Section 67-6608, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

23 67-6608. SPECIAL PROVISION FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS AND MEASURES. (1) The political treasurer for a candidate for a local government office, or for a 24 political committee that is specifically designated to support or oppose a 25 candidate or local ballot measure, is exempt from filing reports under sec-26 27 tion 67-6607, Idaho Code, unless and until such time as the candidate re-28 ceives contributions or expends funds in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more. Within seven (7) calendar days of the five hundred dollar 29 (\$500) threshold being met, the political treasurer for the candidate shall 30 file a cumulative report covering the period from the first contribution or 31 32 expenditure to the current date and shall file all subsequent reports according to section 67-6607, Idaho Code, regardless of amounts received or 33 expended. 34

The political treasurer for a political committee that is not 35 (2) specifically designated to support or oppose any candidate or measure, but 36 that receives contributions and makes expenditures for the purpose of sup-37 porting or opposing a candidate for local government office or local ballot 38 measure, is exempt from filing reports under section 67-6607, Idaho Code, 39 unless and until such time as the political committee receives contributions 40 or expends funds in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more. 41 Within seven (7) calendar days of the one thousand dollar (\$1,000) threshold 42 43 being met, the political treasurer for the political committee shall file a cumulative report covering the period from the first contribution or expen-44 diture to the current date and shall file all subsequent reports according to 45 46 section 67-6607, Idaho Code, regardless of amounts received or expended.

1 SECTION 8. That Section 67-6609, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 2 amended to read as follows:

67-6609. STATEMENT AS TO NO CONTRIBUTION OR EXPENDITURE. If no contri bution is received or expenditure made by or on behalf of a candidate or po litical committee during a period described in section 67-6607 or 67-6608,
 <u>Idaho Code</u>, the political treasurer for the candidate or political committee
 shall file with the <u>Secretary</u> of <u>Setate</u>, at the time required by such sec tion of this act for the period, a statement to that effect.

9 SECTION 9. That Section 67-6610A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 10 amended to read as follows:

11 67-6610A. LIMITATIONS ON CONTRIBUTIONS. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, aggregate contributions for a primary elec-12 tion or a general election made by a corporation, political committee, other 13 recognized legal entity or an individual, other than the candidate, to a can-14 15 didate for the state legislature, and political committees organized on the candidate's behalf shall be subject to the limitations of this subsection; 16 provided, however, this subsection shall not apply to a candidate contribut-17 ing or loaning money to his own campaign account. 18

- <u>Aggregate contributions by a corporation, political committee,</u>
   <u>other recognized legal entity, or an individual to a candidate for the</u>
   <u>state legislature, judicial office, or local government office, and</u>
   <u>political committees organized on the candidate's behalf</u>, shall be
   limited to an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for
   the primary election and an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars
   (\$1,000) for the general election.
- (b) Aggregate contributions for a primary election or a general elec tion by a corporation, political committee, other recognized legal
   entity or an individual, other than the candidate, to a candidate for
   statewide office and political committees organized on the candidate's
   behalf shall be limited to an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars
   (\$5,000) for the primary election and an amount not to exceed five thou sand dollars (\$5,000) for the general election.

(2) Aggregate contributions for a primary election or for a general 33 34 election made by a county central committee or by the state central committee of the political parties qualified under section 34-501, Idaho Code, to a 35 36 candidate for the state legislature, and political committees organized on the candidate's behalf shall be limited to an amount not to exceed two 37 thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the primary election and an amount not to 38 39 exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the general election. Aggregate contributions for the primary election or the general election by the state 40 41 central committee of the political parties qualified under section 34-501, Idaho Code, to a candidate for statewide office and political committees or-42 ganized on the candidate's behalf shall be limited to an amount not to exceed 43 ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the primary election and an amount not to 44 45 exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the general election.

(3) For purposes of this section, "statewide office" shall mean an office in state government which that shall appear on the primary or general
election ballot throughout the state.

(4) Recall <u>and special</u> elections, for purposes of this section, shall be treated the same as general elections for contribution limits.

(5) Contributions other than money or its equivalent are deemed to have 3 a monetary value equivalent to the fair market value of the contribution. 4 5 Services or property or rights furnished at less than their fair market value for the purpose of assisting any candidate or political committee are deemed 6 7 a contribution. A contribution of this kind shall be reported as an in-kind contribution at its fair market value and counts toward any applicable con-8 tribution limit of the contributor. Contributions shall not include the 9 10 personal services of volunteers.

(6) The contribution limits for the state legislature shall apply to judicial district offices, city offices and county offices regulated by this chapter.

14 (7) For the purposes of contribution limits, the following apply:

(a) A contribution by a political committee with funds that have all
been contributed by one (1) person who exercises exclusive control over
the distribution of the funds of the political committee is a contribution by the controlling person.

(b) All contributions made by a person or political committee whose
 contribution or expenditure activity is financed, maintained or con trolled by a trade association, labor union or collective bargaining
 organization shall be considered a contribution from such trade associ ation, labor union or collective bargaining organization.

24 (c) Two (2) or more entities are treated as a single entity if the enti-25 ties:

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(i) Share the majority of members on their board of directors;

(ii) Share two (2) or more officers;

(iii) Are owned or controlled by the same majority shareholder or shareholders or persons;

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- (iv) Are in a parent-subsidiary relationship; or
- (v) Have bylaws so stating.

(87) The provisions of this section are hereby declared to be severable
 and if any provision of this section or the application of such provision to
 any person or circumstance is declared invalid for any reason, such declara tion shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this section.

36 SECTION 10. That Section 67-6610B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is 37 hereby amended to read as follows:

38 67-6610B. RETIRING DEBT. (1) If a political committee organized on 39 behalf of a candidate has unpaid debt at the end of the reporting periods 40 specified in section 67-6607(a)(2) or 67-6607(a)(6), Idaho Code, then the 41 committee may accept additional contributions to retire such unpaid debt, 42 provided the contributions do not exceed the applicable contribution limits 43 prescribed.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "unpaid debt" means any unpaid
monetary obligation incurred by the political committee as listed on the
reports filed through the postelection report period minus any cash balance
reported on the postelection report. Outstanding loans are considered a
type of "unpaid debt."

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1 SECTION 11. That Section <u>67-6612</u>, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 2 repealed.

3 SECTION 12. That Section 67-6615, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 4 amended to read as follows:

5 67-6615. INSPECTION BY SECRETARY OF STATE AND COUNTY CLERKS. (1) It
 6 is the intent of the legislature to consolidate filings for all offices and
 7 measures in a central online database established by the secretary of state.

8 (2) The <u>Seccretary</u> of <u>Secart</u> shall inspect each statement filed in his 9 office under this act pursuant to this chapter for statewide, legislative, 10 and judicial district offices or measures, and the county clerk shall in-11 spect each statement filed for all local government offices or measures for 12 which the county is the home county, as defined in section 34-1401, Idaho 13 Code, within two (2) days after the date it is filed. He shall notify a person 14 required to file a statement under this act chapter immediately if:

- (a) ±It appears that the person has failed to file a statement as required by law or that a statement filed by the person does not conform to law; or
- (b) <u>aA</u> written complaint is filed with the <u>Ss</u>ecretary of <u>Ss</u>tate <u>or</u>
   <u>county clerk</u> by any registered voter alleging that a statement filed
   with the <u>Ss</u>ecretary of <u>Ss</u>tate does not conform to law or to the truth or
   that a person has failed to file a statement required by law.
- SECTION 13. That Section 67-6616, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-6616. EXAMINATION OF STATEMENTS. Within three (3) months after the 24 date of each election, the Secretary of Sstate shall examine such statement 25 26 filed with his office under this act pursuant to this chapter for statewide, 27 legislative, and judicial district offices or measures, and the county clerk shall inspect each statement filed for all local government offices 28 or measures for which the county is the home county, as defined in section 29 34-1401, Idaho Code; and referring to the election, to determine whether the 30 31 statement conforms to law. Such examinations shall include a comparison of reports and statements received by the Secretary of Sstate pursuant to 32 sections 67-6607-- through 67-6609, 67-6611, and 67-6614, Idaho Code. The 33 Secretary of Sstate or county clerk may require any person to answer in 34 writing and under oath or affirmation any question within the knowledge of 35 that person concerning the source of any contribution. 36

37 SECTION 14. That Section 67-6621, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 38 amended to read as follows:

39 67-6621. DUTIES OF LOBBYISTS. A person required to register as a lob-40 byist under this act chapter shall also have the following obligations, the 41 violation of which shall constitute cause for revocation of his registra-42 tion, and may subject such person, and such person's employer, if such em-43 ployer aids, abets, ratifies or confirms any such act, to other civil liabil-44 ities, as provided by this act chapter:

Such persons shall obtain and preserve all accounts, bills, 1 (1)2 receipts, books, papers, and documents necessary to substantiate the financial reports required to be made under this act chapter for a period of at 3 least three (3) years from the date of the filing of the statement containing 4 5 such items, which accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers and documents shall be made available for inspection by the secretary of state at any rea-6 sonable time during such three (3) year period; provided, however, that if a 7 lobbyist is required under the terms of his employment contract to turn any 8 records over to his employer, responsibility for the preservation of such 9 records under this subsection shall rest with such employer. 10

(2) In addition, a person required to register as a lobbyist shall not:

(a) Engage in any activity as a lobbyist before registering as such;

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(b) Knowingly deceive or attempt to deceive any legislator to any fact
 pertaining to any pending or proposed legislation;

(c) Cause or influence the introduction of any bill or amendment
 thereto for the purpose of thereafter being employed to secure its de feat;

(d) Knowingly represent an interest adverse to any of his employers
 without first obtaining such employers' consent thereto after full dis closure to such employers of such adverse interest;

(e) Exercise any economic reprisal, extortion, or unlawful retalia tion upon any legislator by reason of such legislator's position with
 respect to, or his vote upon, any pending or proposed legislation;

(f) Accept any employment as a lobbyist for a compensation dependent
in any manner upon the passage or defeat of any proposed or pending legislation or upon any other contingency connected with the action of the
legislature or of either branch thereof or of any committee thereof.
This contingent fee prohibition shall also apply to lobbying activities
that pertain to communications with executive officials as described in
section 67-6602 (q7), Idaho Code.

31 SECTION 15. That Section 67-6623, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 32 amended to read as follows:

DUTIES OF SECRETARY OF STATE AND COUNTY CLERKS. (1) The sec-33 67-6623. retary of state and each county clerk is charged with enforcement of the pro-34 35 visions of this act, and chapter. 36 (2) Iin addition to duties otherwise prescribed herein in this section, 37 it shall be his the duty of the secretary of state: (1a) To prescribe forms for statements and other information required 38 to be filed by this act, and to furnish such forms and instruction manual 39 to persons required to file such statements and information; 40 (2b) To make statements and other information filed with him available 41 42 for public inspection and copying during regular office hours, and to make copying facilities available at a charge not to exceed actual cost; 43 44  $(\exists c)$  To preserve such statements and other information for a period of four (4) years from date of receipt; 45 (4d) With respect to statewide, legislative, and judicial district of-46 47 fices and measures, tTo make investigations with respect to of statements filed under the provisions of this act chapter, and with respect 48 to alleged failures to file any statement required under the provisions 49

1 of this act chapter, and upon complaint by any person with respect to al-2 leged violations of any part of this act chapter;

- 3 (5<u>e</u>) To report suspected violations of law to the appropriate law en-4 forcement authorities;
- 5 (<u>6f</u>) To prescribe and publish rules in accordance with the provisions
  6 of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and to take such other actions as
  7 may be appropriate to carry out the provisions of this act chapter;
  - (7g) To prescribe methods of the filing of reports by electronic means.

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(8) To require and prescribe methods for the online filing of reports 9 with the secretary of state to ensure prompt publication of reports on 10 the secretary of state's website in an online database established by 11 the secretary of state's office for the filing and publication of all 12 reports required pursuant to this chapter. The online database shall 13 accommodate the filings of all state and local government candidates, 14 political committees, measures, and lobbyists. The online database 15 16 shall be accessible on the secretary of state's website and be searchable by the public by address, candidate, committee, contribution, 17 contributor, date, expense, office, party, purpose, and any other con-18 tent deemed appropriate by the secretary of state. The secretary of 19 state may, on an individual basis, grant a hardship waiver and accept a 20 21 report required by this chapter in another format specified by the secretary of state, which will be entered into the online database by the 22 secretary of state within three (3) days of filing. 23

(3) It shall be the duty of the county clerk with respect to all local 24 government offices or measures for which the county is the home county, as 25 defined in section 34-1401, Idaho Code, to make investigations of statements 26 required to be filed under this chapter of alleged failures to file any re-27 quired statement and of any complaint filed by any person of an alleged vio-28 lation of any part of this chapter with respect to local government offices 29 or measures in the county. The county clerk shall report any suspected vio-30 lations of this chapter pertaining to a local government office or measure to 31 the county prosecutor. 32

33 SECTION 16. That Section 67-6625A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is34 hereby amended to read as follows:

67-6625A. LATE FILING OF STATEMENT OR REPORT -- FEES. (1) If any person 35 fails to file a report or statement required under this chapter on or before 36 37 a specified date, he shall be liable to the secretary of state for deposit in the general fund in an the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day beginning 38 forty-eight (48) hours after the deadline until the statement or report is 39 filed, to the secretary of state. Liability need not be enforced by the sec-40 retary of state if on an impartial basis he determines that the late filing 41 42 was not willful and that enforcement of the liability will not further the purposes of the act, except that no liability shall be waived if a statement 43 or report is not filed within five (5) days after receiving written notice of 44 the filing requirement from the secretary of state. The secretary of state 45 or the county clerk shall notify the person and his treasurer, if any, that a 46 47 fine has been assessed and will continue to accrue until the report or statement has been filed. The notification shall be made by telephone or elec-48 49 tronic means within twenty-four (24) hours of the missed filing deadline.

(2) The remedy provided in this section is cumulative and does not ex clude any other remedy or penalty prescribed in section 67-6625, Idaho Code.

3 SECTION 17. That Section 67-6626, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 4 amended to read as follows:

67-6626. INJUNCTIONS. The district courts of this state shall have 5 original jurisdiction to issue injunctions to enforce the provisions of 6 this act chapter upon application by any citizen of this state or, by the 7 Secretary of Sstate or by the county clerk. The court may in its discre-8 tion require the citizen plaintiff to file a written complaint with the 9 10 Secretary of State or county clerk prior to seeking injunctive relief. A successful plaintiff is entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable costs 11 12 of litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees, by the person or persons named defendant in said injunctive action. A successful defendant is 13 entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable costs of litigation, including rea-14 sonable attorney's fees, if the court determines that plaintiff's action was 15 without substantial merit. 16

SECTION 18. That Section 1-2220A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

19 SECTION 19. That Section 31-2012, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 20 repealed.

21 SECTION 20. That Section 33-503, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 22 amended to read as follows:

23 33-503. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES -- UNIFORM DATE. (1) The election of school district trustees including those in charter districts shall be on 24 25 the Tuesday following the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years. Notice and conduct of the election, and the canvassing of the returns, shall 26 be as provided in chapter 14, title 34, Idaho Code. In each trustee zone, the 27 28 person receiving the greatest number of votes cast within his zone shall be declared by the board of trustees as the trustee elected from that person's 29 30 zone.

(2) If any two (2) or more persons residing in the same trustee zone have
 an equal number of votes and a greater number than any other nominee residing
 in that zone, then the board of trustees shall determine the winner by a toss
 of a coin.

35 (3) The provisions of sections 67-6601 through 67-6616, Idaho Code, and sections 67-6623 through 67-6630, Idaho Code, shall apply to all elections 36 of school district trustees, except for elections of trustees in a school 37 district that has fewer than five hundred (500) students. Provided however, 38 39 the county clerk shall stand in place of the secretary of state and the county prosecutor shall stand in place of the attorney general. Any report or fil-40 ing required to be filed by or for a candidate by such Idaho Code sections 41 shall be filed with the county clerk of the county wherein the district lies 42 or, in the case of a joint district, with the county clerk of the home county 43 44 as designated pursuant to section 33-304, Idaho Code.

1 (4) Incumbent trustees as of the effective date of this act shall have 2 their terms expire on January 1 following the November election of their suc-3 cessors.

SECTION 21. That Section 33-2106, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

6 33-2106. TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS. (1) The board of 7 trustees of each community college district shall consist of five (5) elec-8 tors who shall reside in a different trustee zone from each other and who 9 shall be appointed or elected as provided in this section.

10 (a) Immediately following the establishment of a new community college district, the state board of education shall divide the district into 11 12 five (5) trustee zones, which shall be as nearly equal in population as practicable. If a community college district is situated within two (2) 13 or more counties, and any one (1) of the counties has sufficient popula-14 tion to warrant at least one (1) zone, then the boundaries of a trustee 15 16 zone shall be located wholly within the boundaries of such county. The state board shall also appoint the members of the first board who shall 17 serve until the election and qualification of their successors. 18

- (b) At the first election of trustees after the creation of a district,
  five (5) trustees shall be elected: two (2) for terms of two (2) years
  each, and three (3) for terms of four (4) years each. Thereafter, the
  successors of persons so elected shall be elected for terms of four (4)
  years.
- (c) Excluding any first election of trustees after the creation of a 24 district, at any other election of trustees held in 2008, and in each 25 26 trustee election thereafter, trustees shall be elected to terms of four (4) years. If more than two (2) trustee positions are eligible for elec-27 tion in 2008, one (1) trustee shall be elected to a term of four (4) years 28 and two (2) trustees shall be elected to a term of six (6) years. There-29 30 after, the successors of persons so elected in 2008 shall be elected for 31 terms of four (4) years.
- (d) The expiration of any term shall be at the regular meeting of the
   trustees next following the election for the successor terms.

(2) Elections of trustees of community college districts shall be bi-34 35 ennially, in even-numbered years, and shall be held on a date authorized in section 34-106, Idaho Code. Vacancies on the board of trustees shall be 36 37 filled by appointment by the remaining members, but if by reason of vacancies there remain on the board less than a majority of the required number of mem-38 bers, appointment to fill such vacancies shall be made by the state board of 39 education. Any person so appointed must reside in the trustee zone where the 40 vacancy occurs and shall serve until the next trustee election, at which time 41 42 his successor shall be elected for the unexpired term. The trustees shall take and subscribe the oath of office required in the case of state officers 43 and said oath shall be filed with the secretary of state. 44

(3) Notice of the election, the conduct thereof, the qualification of
electors and the canvass of returns shall be as prescribed in chapter 14, title 34, Idaho Code.

(4) All eligible electors within a community college district may votefor candidates in each and every zone. An individual who is a candidate for

a specific zone of the community college district must reside in that same 1 2 specific zone, and the candidate in each zone receiving the largest number of votes from the district shall be declared elected. An individual shall 3 be a candidate for a specific position of the board and each candidate must 4 5 declare which position he seeks on the board of trustees. If it be necessary to resolve a tie between two (2) or more persons, the board of trustees shall 6 7 determine by lot which thereof shall be declared elected. The clerk of the board shall promptly notify any person by mail of his election, enclosing a 8 form of oath to be subscribed by him as herein provided. 9

10 (5) When elections held pursuant to this section coincide with other 11 elections held by the state of Idaho or any subdivision thereof, or any mu-12 nicipality or school district, the board of trustees may make agreement with 13 the body holding such election for joint boards of election and the payment 14 of fees and expenses of such boards of election on such proportionate basis 15 as may be agreed upon.

(6) At its first meeting following the appointment of the first board of trustees, and at the first regular meeting following any community college trustee election, the board shall organize, and shall elect one (1) of its members chairman, one (1) a vice-chairman; and shall elect a secretary and a treasurer, who may be members of the board; or one (1) person to serve as secretary and treasurer, who may be a member of the board.

(7) The provisions of sections 67-6601 through 67-6616, Idaho Code, and
sections 67-6623 through 67-6630, Idaho Code, are hereby made applicable to
all community college trustee elections. Provided however, that the county
clerk shall stand in place of the secretary of state and the county prosecutor shall stand in place of the attorney general. Any report or filing required to be filed by or for a candidate by such sections of Idaho Code shall
be filed with the county clerk of the county where such candidate resides.

(8) The board shall set a given day of a given week in each month as its
 regular meeting time. Three (3) members of the board shall constitute a quo rum for the transaction of official business.

32 (98) The authority of trustees of community college districts shall be
 33 limited in the manner prescribed in section 33-507, Idaho Code.

(109) Any decision of the state board of education issued pursuant to
 chapter 21, title 33, Idaho Code, may be appealed to the district court of
 any county in which the district or proposed district lies or shall lie. The
 pleadings and other papers shall be filed not more than sixty (60) days after
 notice of the order appealed and service of two (2) copies thereof shall be
 made upon the state board of education.

40 SECTION 22. That Section <u>40-1417</u>, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 41 repealed.

42 SECTION 23. That Section 50-420, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 43 repealed.

44 SECTION 24. That Section 50-2006, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 45 amended to read as follows:

46 50-2006. URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY. (a) There is hereby created in each mu 47 nicipality an independent public body corporate and politic to be known as

the "urban renewal agency" that was created by resolution as provided in sec-1 2 tion 50-2005, Idaho Code, before July 1, 2011, for the municipality; provided, that such agency shall not transact any business or exercise its pow-3 4 ers hereunder until or unless: (1) the local governing body has made the 5 findings prescribed in section 50-2005, Idaho Code; and provided further, that such agency created after July 1, 2011, shall not transact any busi-6 7 ness or exercise its powers provided for in this chapter until (2) a majority of qualified electors, voting in a citywide or countywide election de-8 pending on the municipality in which such agency is created, vote to autho-9 rize such agency to transact business and exercise its powers provided for in 10 11 this chapter. If prior to July 1, 2011, the local governing body has made the findings prescribed in subsection (a) (1) of this section then such agency 12 shall transact business and shall exercise its powers hereunder and is not 13 subject to the requirements of subsection (a) (2) of this section. 14

(b) Upon satisfaction of the requirements under subsection (a) of this
section, the urban renewal agency is authorized to transact the business and
exercise the powers hereunder by a board of commissioners to be established
as follows:

- (1) Unless provided otherwise in this section, the mayor, by and with 19 20 the advice and consent of the local governing body, shall appoint a 21 board of commissioners of the urban renewal agency, which shall consist of not less than three (3) commissioners nor more than nine (9) commis-22 sioners. In the order of appointment, the mayor shall designate the 23 number of commissioners to be appointed, and the term of each, provided 24 that the original term of office of no more than two (2) commissioners 25 shall expire in the same year. The commissioners shall serve for terms 26 not to exceed five (5) years, from the date of appointment, except that 27 all vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term. 28
- (2) For inefficiency or neglect of duty or misconduct in office, a com-29 missioner may be removed by a majority vote of the local governing body 30 only after a hearing and after he shall have been given a copy of the 31 charges at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing and have had an op-32 portunity to be heard in person or by counsel. Any commission position 33 that becomes vacant at a time other than the expiration of a term shall 34 be filled by the mayor or chair of the board of county commissioners, if 35 that is the local governing body, by and with the advice and consent of 36 the local governing body, including the mayor, if applicable, and shall 37 be filled for the unexpired term. 38
- (3) By enactment of an ordinance, the local governing body may appoint 39 and designate from among its members to be members of the board of com-40 missioners of the urban renewal agency, provided that such representa-41 tion shall be less than a majority of the board of commissioners of the 42 urban renewal agency of the members of the local governing body on and 43 after July 1, 2017, in which case all the rights, powers, duties, priv-44 ileges and immunities vested by the urban renewal law of 1965, and as 45 amended, in an appointed board of commissioners, shall be vested in the 46 47 local governing body, who shall, in all respects when acting as an urban renewal agency, be acting as an arm of state government, entirely sepa-48 rate and distinct from the municipality, to achieve, perform and accom-49

plish the public purposes prescribed and provided by said urban renewallaw of 1965, and as amended.

3 (4) By enactment of an ordinance, the local governing body may termi4 nate the appointed board of commissioners and thereby appoint and des5 ignate itself as the board of commissioners of the urban renewal agency
6 for not more than one (1) calendar year.

(5) By enactment of an ordinance, the local governing body may provide 7 that the board of commissioners of the urban renewal agency shall be 8 elected at an election held for such purpose on one (1) of the November 9 dates provided in section 34-106, Idaho Code, and the ordinance may pro-10 vide term limits for the commissioners. In this case, all the rights, 11 powers, duties, privileges and immunities vested by the urban renewal 12 law of 1965, and as amended, in an appointed board of commissioners, 13 shall be vested in the elected board of commissioners of the urban re-14 newal agency, who shall, in all respects when acting as an urban renewal 15 16 agency, be acting as an arm of state government, entirely separate and distinct from the municipality, to achieve, perform and accomplish 17 the public purposes prescribed and provided by said urban renewal law 18 of 1965, and as amended. The provisions of section 50-420 chapter 66, 19 20 title 67, Idaho Code, shall apply to elected commissioners if the spon-21 soring entity is a city or the provisions of county election law if the sponsoring entity is a county and the county election law shall apply to 22 the person running for commissioner as if they were running for county 23 commissioner. In the event of a vacancy in an elected commissioner po-24 sition, the replacement shall be appointed by the mayor or chair of the 25 board of county commissioners, if that is the local governing body by 26 and with the advice and consent of the local governing body, and shall be 27 filled for the unexpired term. 28

29 30 31 (6) In all instances, a member of the board of commissioners of the urban renewal agency must be a resident of the county where the urban renewal agency is located or is doing business.

(c) A commissioner shall receive no compensation for his services but
shall be entitled to the necessary expenses, including traveling expenses,
incurred in the discharge of his duties. Each commissioner shall hold office
until his successor has been appointed and has qualified. A certificate of
the appointment or reappointment of any commissioner shall be filed with the
clerk of the municipality and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence
of the due and proper appointment of such commissioner.

The powers of an urban renewal agency shall be exercised by the commissioners thereof. A majority of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business and exercising the powers of the agency and for all other purposes. Action may be taken by the agency upon a vote of a majority of the commissioners present, unless in any case the bylaws shall require a larger number.

The commissioners shall elect the chairman, cochairman or vice chairman for a term of one (1) year from among their members. An agency may employ an executive director, technical experts and such other agents and employees, permanent and temporary, as it may require, and determine their qualifications, duties and compensation. For such legal service as it may require, an agency may employ or retain its own counsel and legal staff. An

agency authorized to transact business and exercise powers under this chap-1 2 ter shall file, with the local governing body, on or before March 31 of each year a report of its activities for the preceding calendar year, which report 3 shall include a complete financial statement setting forth its assets, lia-4 5 bilities, income and operating expense as of the end of such calendar year. The agency shall be required to hold a public meeting to report these find-6 7 ings and take comments from the public. At the time of filing the report, the agency shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the community 8 a notice to the effect that such report has been filed with the municipality 9 and that the report is available for inspection during business hours in the 10 11 office of the city clerk or county recorder and in the office of the agency.

(d) An urban renewal agency shall have the same fiscal year as a municipality and shall be subject to the same audit requirements as a municipality. An urban renewal agency shall be required to prepare and file with its local governing body an annual financial report and shall prepare, approve and adopt an annual budget for filing with the local governing body, for informational purposes. A budget means an annual estimate of revenues and expenses for the following fiscal year of the agency.

(e) An urban renewal agency shall comply with the public records law
pursuant to chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code, open meetings law pursuant to
chapter 2, title 74, Idaho Code, the ethics in government law pursuant to
chapter 4, title 74, Idaho Code, and the competitive bidding provisions of
chapter 28, title 67, Idaho Code.

SECTION 25. That Section 67-4931, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

26 SECTION 26. This act shall be in full force and effect on and after Jan-27 uary 1, 2020.