

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1142

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED  
2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014; LIMITING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME  
3 EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; AND PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSA-  
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Commission for the Blind  
8 and Visually Impaired, the following amounts to be expended for the desig-  
9 nated expense classes, from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2013,  
10 through June 30, 2014:

	FOR	FOR	FOR	
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TRUSTEE AND	
	COSTS	EXPENDITURES	BENEFIT	TOTAL
			PAYMENTS	
11 FROM:				
12 General				
13 Fund	\$635,100	\$48,500	\$599,200	\$1,282,800
14 Randolph Sheppard				
15 Fund		27,300	100,100	127,400
16 Rehabilitation Revenue and Refunds				
17 Fund		34,300	13,000	47,300
18 Miscellaneous Revenue				
19 Fund		52,400	81,300	133,700
20 Adaptive Aids and Appliances				
21 Fund	17,900	47,600		65,500
22 Federal Grant				
23 Fund	<u>1,763,200</u>	<u>546,200</u>	<u>541,500</u>	<u>2,850,900</u>
24 TOTAL	\$2,416,200	\$756,300	\$1,335,100	\$4,507,600

25 SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519,  
26 Idaho Code, the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired is authorized  
27 no more than thirty-nine and twelve hundredths (39.12) full-time equivalent  
28 positions at any point during the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014,  
29 unless specifically authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appro-  
30 priations Committee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so  
31 authorized.  
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1           SECTION 3. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. The Legislature finds that investing  
2 in state employee compensation should remain a high priority even in tough  
3 economic times, and therefore strongly encourages agency directors, insti-  
4 tution executives and the Division of Financial Management to approve the  
5 use of salary savings to provide either one-time or ongoing merit increases  
6 for deserving employees, and also target employees who are below policy com-  
7 pensation. Such salary savings could result from turnover and attrition, or  
8 be the result of innovation and reorganization efforts that create savings.  
9 Such savings should be reinvested in employees. Agencies are cautioned to  
10 use one-time funding for one-time payments and ongoing funding for permanent  
11 pay increases.