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Idaho Legislative Budget Book For Fiscal Year 2018

This *Legislative Budget Book* is the primary reference document used by the Joint Senate Finance and House Appropriations Committee, in setting the Idaho State Budget. The publication is also available online at:

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Section I of this document contains statewide summary reports, charts, graphs and historical tables.

Section II provides a detailed description of agency budget requests for the Executive Branch, which includes twenty executive departments and the seven offices for statewide elected officials, the Judicial Branch and the Legislative Branch. Also included is the Governor's recommendation that provides the Legislature with a side-by-side comparison of each agency's budget request and the Governor's budget recommendation; in a single, inclusive document. Policy oversight is emphasized in this document by grouping and displaying minor programs at the agency or divisional level, and clearly displaying and comparing the key policy budget decisions that need to be made. Detail objects of expenditures (personnel costs, operating expenditures, capital outlay, and trustee & benefit payments) are de-emphasized to allow the use of larger fonts with fewer pages.

Supporting Agency Profile Documents include other analyses intended to lend context to the discussion of each agency's budget.

A comprehensive database, and numerous working files, also support the information contained in this document. These enable the Legislature's Budget and Policy Analysis staff to provide an extensive amount of fiscal information to legislative leadership, members of JFAC, germane committees and the Legislature as a whole.

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