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News to Use:

Senate Defeats Personal Property Tax for Second Year: In a disappointing move, yesterday the Senate decided to amend the personal property tax legislation with some drastic changes, limiting the tax cut to just the first \$75,000 value of equipment. The Senate amendments are very similar to the failed House Democratic proposals requiring all businesses to continue tracking and reporting all of their equipment, forever. In addition, the flawed changes would not treat all business equitably by penalizing both large and small businesses that are equipment-intensive. The coalition of 23 statewide associations has been working on this legislation for months and was confident of a successful Senate floor vote before a two-hour Senate caucus meeting on Wednesday. Shortly following the meeting, the bill was sent to the amending order. The amendments now go back to the House which adopted the original proposal 39-31. IACI and members of the coalition have already expressed opposition to the legislation as amended. With the defeat of the legislation, IACI and the coalition will work throughout the interim with officials to craft legislation to ultimately eliminate the personal property tax in a manner that is fair and fiscally responsible.

IACI wishes to publicly thank all of the members, businesses and organizations that supported H-599. Without the efforts of over 3,000 businesses in Idaho we would not have been as successful as we were. While certainly no victory can be claimed on this issue yet, what is clear is that the Idaho Legislature is on notice that a solution must be reached to eliminate this bad tax for all business in Idaho.

Employer Protection Act Becomes LAW! Just after 9:00 a.m. this morning, Governor Butch Otter signed SB-1393. The IACI-backed legislation gives employers assurances that contracts with key employees to protect the business can be legally made and enforced. The concept provides that the freedom of people and businesses to enter into contracts is protected.

New Transportation Funding Dead for the Year: Numerous efforts to derive a compromise on new transportation funding failed. In reaching the conclusion that no compromise was possible at this point, the Governor notified House and Senate leadership on Thursday that he was withdrawing his efforts for this session. Since the start of the session the Governor expressed strong leadership in advocating for over \$200 million in additional funding to maintain Idaho's highway system. Many legislators balked at the proposals, and negotiations were ongoing throughout the session. The next step will be to convene interested parties throughout the interim before the 2009 session to develop a package.

Latest Installment of GARVEE Easily Passes: The House and Senate approved the latest \$134 million installment of GARVEE. Many have stated that with the new installment they are looking forward to seeing more projects underway since much of the construction work to this point has been preliminary.

Vehicle Emissions Testing Passed Senate: HB-586 passed the Senate on a 20 to 15 vote. This IACI-supported legislation would provide authority to the Department of Environmental Quality to authorize a vehicle inspection and maintenance program in certain metropolitan locations. There are seven counties throughout Idaho that are close to "non-attainment" within the standards established by the

EPA. However, at this point the focus of the program will likely be the Treasure Valley where employers have been seeking the additional program to avoid corrective action by the EPA.

Economic Development on Manufacturing: The Idaho Legislature passed H550, the Economic Development on Manufacturing Facilities bill. The purpose of this legislation is to provide an economic development incentive for new manufacturing facilities construction and development in designated rural development areas in the state of Idaho. The legislation awaits a decision by the Governor.

Community Infrastructure Districts Endorsed by the House: Legislation that would create a new tool for infrastructure development passed the House on Thursday 50-18 with two absent. The legislation gives communities and developers the option of paying for infrastructure with a new district that will be applied to the new development. Property taxes paid by the new district would go to repay the bonds used to build the infrastructure outside of the new community district that benefits an entire city. This new tool could be used for both new development and even perhaps expansions on existing developments including manufacturing and distribution facilities. It awaits Senate action where chances of passage appear strong.

Legislature to Go Home Wednesday: The rumor in the halls today is that the legislature has set a date of Wednesday, April 2nd, to adjourn. There are still a few important issues to be completed, including Community Infrastructure Districts and a compromise on the legislation dealing with the office of drug policy.

IACI to Provide Complete Analysis: Shortly following the end of the Legislature, IACI will be completing a performance analysis report of this year's legislature. The report will contain vital information on the work of legislators with respect to business issues. In addition, as the campaign season heats up, the new IACI Business PAC will be communicating regularly with members with information about the candidates, races and endorsements. We look forward to member feedback on this year's forthcoming process.

Upcoming IACI Meetings:

Legislative Committee: The Legislative Committee meets weekly on **Tuesdays at 10:00 am** throughout the Legislative session. All members are eligible to attend and vote on action items. **The next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.** All members will receive notice.

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Legislation Tracking Sheet follows.



LEGISLATION TRACKING SHEET – 3/28/08

(IACI Position: (+) Support, (-) Oppose, (M) Monitoring, (N) Neutral)
Action on Bill

Bold=Final

Bill	Description	House	Senate	Final
H360 (M)	(By Sen. Brad Little) – Establishing retailer nexus: This legislation amends Section 63-3611 of the Idaho Code to provide that a "retailer engaged in business in this state" be defined as any retailer with substantial nexus in this state, and creates a new Section 63-3615A of the Idaho Code to define substantial nexus for any retailer having a franchisee or licensee operating under its tradename or owned by the same entity or corporation in the State of Idaho be required to collect taxes from its customers.	Passed 67-0-3	Passed 33-0-2	Law 3/3/08
H403aa (M)	(Dept. of Administration) – Department of Administration: This legislation will make changes to the statutes governing the department of administration .	Passed 62-8-0	State Affairs	
H412 (M)	(Dept. of Insurance) – Managed Care Plans Requirements: This legislation Amends existing law relating to managed care to revise the deposit required of an organization offering a limited managed care plan; to revise a due date for filing an annual report to the director of the Department of Insurance; to revise a requirement for certain information submitted to the Department of Insurance; and to revise a provision relating to grievance procedures.	Business		
H413 (M)	(By Reps. Bilbao, Durst) – Absentee Voting: This legislation would allow absentee voters the option of applying for status as a permanent absentee voter in all elections which they are qualified.	State Affairs		
H420 (+)	(By Idaho Association of Counties) – Property Tax Payment Methods: This legislation would allow counties to receive payment of taxes using a debit card, credit card, or electronic funds transfer.	Passed 68-0-2	Passed 33-0-2	Law 3/3/08
H428 (+)	(By Sens. Schroeder, Coiner, Stennett, Siddoway, Reps. Raybould, Stevenson, Moyle, Bedke, Pence) – Aquifer Planning and Management: This legislation repeals and adds to existing law relating to water to provide for a statewide comprehensive aquifer planning and management effort.	Passed 68-0-2	Passed 33-0-2	Law 3/17/08
H431 (+)	(By Idaho Department of Commerce) – Small Employer Incentive Act: The goal of this legislation is to change a portion of the Small Employer Incentive Act of 2005, by revising the definition of "tax incentive criteria" to make it more flexible and useful.	Passed 58-9-3	Passed 31-0-4	Law 3/14/08
H443 (+)	(By Sen. Darrington, Rep. F. Wood, Idaho Hospital Association) – Hospital Assessment Act: This legislation will increase federal Medicaid funding by assessing certain private hospitals the amount necessary to match the federal funds available for reimbursement to private hospitals. These dollars will enhance existing below-cost reimbursement to hospitals, thereby reducing the losses hospitals incur when they treat Medicaid patients. Additionally, the mitigation of some of these losses will lessen the impact of cost shifting to private payers and insurers.	Passed 65-0-5	Passed 33-0-2	Law 3/14/08

H469 (+)	(By Sens. Hill, Davis) – Personal Property Taxes regarding leases of Tangible Personal Property: This legislation provides that charges for personal property tax added to the rents paid by a lessee of tangible personal property are not subject to sales tax as long as the lease period is at least one year and the property tax is separately stated.	Passed 69-0-1	Passed 33-0-2	Law 3/14/08
H482 (+)	(By Sen. Langhorst, Rep. Snodgrass) – Vehicle Inspection: This legislation provides authority to the Department of Environmental Quality to establish a vehicle emission testing and maintenance program to control air pollution emissions from vehicles in air sheds that are approaching non-attainment with applicable air quality standards and rules.	Environment <i>(replaced with H586)</i>		
H495 (+)	(By Reps. Marriott, Nonini, Bilbao, Pasley-Stuart) – Public Corporations Bids for Worker’s Comp Coverage: This legislation would amend Chapter 9 of Title 72 to permit public corporations to solicit bids for workers compensation liability insurance from private insurance carriers. Currently in Idaho Code, public corporations, such as city and county governments and school districts, may only insure against liability for workers compensation through the State Insurance Fund.	Passed 64-1-5	Pulled from Commerce & Human Resources	
H497 (-)	(By Reps. Durst, Rusche) Public Works Contractors – Health Insurance: Amends existing law to provide that as a condition for licensure of public works contractors licenses, the licensee shall provide health insurance to each of its employees that is equivalent or superior to the coverage the state of Idaho provides for its employees.	Business		
H525 (+)	(By Rep. Moyle) – Eminent Domain - Takings and Conformance of Developments: Ensures that pre-existing property rights of private citizens are protected and preserved after a portion of their property is condemned by a condemning authority.	Passed 48-18-4	Local Government	
H529aa (+)	(By Centra Consulting, US Geothermal) – Taxation – Geothermal Energy: The purpose of this legislation is to include producers of geothermal energy under the identical tax provisions of Idaho Code as producers of wind energy. It clarifies that the "Operating Property" as defined in Idaho Code Section 63-3501(h) is included in the definition of "Machinery and Equipment" as defined in Idaho Code Section 63-3622QQ(b).	Passed 67-0-3	Passed 35-0-0	Law 3/20/08
H531aa (+)	(By Reps. Denney, Moyle; Roger Batt, Dan Steenson) – Negotiated Rulemaking: This legislation strengthens the legislature’s statement of support for negotiated rulemaking by clarifying its purposes and providing minimum procedures.	Passed 54-12-4	Failed State Affairs	
H534 (-)	(By Rep. Jaquet, King, Pence) – Workforce Housing Requirements: The legislation will establish the requirement for owners or developers obtaining a residential building permit to develop or ensure the development of affordable workforce housing either onsite or on a site deemed eligible by the governing board. The legislation may require the owner or developer to pay a fee in lieu of onsite or eligible site development of affordable workforce housing.	Revenue & Taxation		
H543aa (+)	(By Superintendent Luna, Mike Gwartney, Rep. Bob Nonini, et al.) – Idaho Education Network: The purpose of this legislation is to enable the Department of Administration to start the process of implementing a statewide education network. This legislation would also create a place for funds when available for the continued development of the Idaho Education Network.	Passed 69-0-1	Passed 34-0-1	Law 3/25/08
H550 (+)	(By Reps. Bayer & Moyle, Sen. Heinrich; Ken Burgess) – Property Tax Exemptions: The purpose of this legislation is to provide an economic development incentive for new manufacturing facilities construction and development in designated rural development areas in the state of Idaho.	Passed 66-4-0	Passed 28-7-0	To Gov 3/26/08

H561 (+)	(By Rep. Jim Clark) Sales Tax – Production Exemption: Amends existing law to provide that the production exemption from sales and use tax shall be available to a business or separately operated segment of a business engaged in the business of processing materials, substances or commodities for use as fuel for the production of energy.	Passed 60-10-0	Passed 27-7-1	Law 3/24/08
H562 (+)	(By Rep. Mortimer) Capital Investments – Property Tax Exemptions: Adds to existing law to provide a property tax exemption for certain new capital investments over \$400 million in a single county.	Passed 41-27-2	Passed 23-11-1	Law 3/24/08
H542 (-)	(By Reps. Ringo & Trail; Mike Walker/PFFI) – Workers Compensation for Firefighters: Adds to the list of enumerated occupational diseases under Worker’s Compensation laws certain cancers for fighters exposed to toxic environment through employment.	Commerce & Human Resources		
H578 (+)	(By Reps. Lake, Roberts, Clark, L. Smith, Ruchti & Sens. Hill, Little, McGee, Bastian, Langhorst) – Community Infrastructure Districts: Bill creates a financial tool to allow new growth to more expediently pay for itself through the creation of optional Community Infrastructure Districts.	Revenue & Taxation <i>(replaced with H680)</i>		
H579 (M)	(By Reps. Moyle, Wills, Denney, Bedke, Roberts, J. Wood, Anderson, Schaefer, Black, Barrett) – Taxing District: Allows a vote of the people to limit a taxing district budget, thus lowering property taxes, while exempting school budgets.	Passed 39-29-2	Local Government	
H580 (M)	(By Reps. Hart & J. Wood) – Reallocation of Sales Tax Funds for Highways: Allocates sales tax revenue from retail establishments that report under industry code 0553 (automobile parts) to the Highway Distribution Account.	Revenue & Taxation		
H581 (-)	(By Reps. Leon Smith, JoAn Wood, Hart, Mortimer, Hagedorn) – Highways/GARVEE: Retains original “Connecting Idaho” corridors; Limits total cumulative debt service to 20% of annual federal aid highway apportionments and sets forth parameters and guidelines for all future GARVEE funding.	Transportation		
H586 (+)	(By Sen. Langhorst, Rep. Snodgrass) – Vehicle Inspection: This legislation provides authority to the Department of Environmental Quality to establish a vehicle emission testing and maintenance program to control air pollution emissions from vehicles in air sheds that are approaching non-attainment with applicable air quality standards and rules.	Passed 42-26-2	Passed 20-15-0	To Gov 3/26/08
H588 (+)	(By Reps. Bayer, VanderWoude, Eskridge, Henderson, Nonini, Anderson, Chadderdon, McGeachin, Mathews, Roberts, Labrador, Kren, Hagedorn & Sens. Fulcher, Keough, McKenzie, Goedde, Broadsword, Hammond, Hill) – Grocery Tax Credit: Incrementally increases the Food Tax Credit to \$50 for poorest, \$30 for all others, and an additional \$20 for seniors for tax year 2008, and credit continues to increase each tax year by \$10 until reaching \$100, eventually offsetting, on average, the state sales tax on qualified foods.	Passed 62-8-0	Passed 27-8-0	To Gov 3/25/08
H599aa (+) H599aaS (-)	(By Rep. Jim Clark, et al. & Sen. Dean Cameron, et al.) Taxation – Personal Property Tax: Amends and adds to existing law to provide that a taxpayer's list of taxable personal property may be amended to permit certain property to be listed or removed from the list; to provide that personal property shall be exempt from taxation; to provide a schedule for the personal property tax to be phased out; and to provide for distribution of sales tax moneys to counties and taxing districts.	Passed aa 39-31-0	Passed aa, aaS 35-0-0	
H603 (M)	(By Sen. Keough & Rep. Corder) – Motor Vehicles over 8,000 lbs. Registration Fees: Increases fees for 8,000 to 60,000 maximum gross weight trucks licensed by counties, and combines all other vehicles between 60,001 and 129,000 lbs. and sets a single fee for each truck plus a mileage fee of \$.045 per mile.	Transportation		

H655 (M)	(By Reps. Moyle & Nonini) – Highway Improvements: Bill cleans up language in last year’s STAR legislation and more clearly defines the definition of “highway improvements.”	Transportation		
H656 (-)	(By Rep. Snodgrass & Ken Harward/AIC) – Development Impact Fees: Clarifies that the definition of “development” under the Idaho Development Impact Fee law does not include public facilities constructed by taxing districts.	General Order		
H657 (+)	(By Legislative Services) – GARVEE Bonds, Highway Projects: Provides bonding authority for the issuance of GARVEE bonds to finance highway transportation projects from a designated list.	Passed 47-23-0	Passed 29-6-0	To Gov 3/26/08
H661 (M)	(By Rep. Lake) – Corporate Headquarters Incentive Act: Repeals Corporate Headquarters Incentive Act of 2005 and deletes certain rebate payments from the State Refund Account.	Passed 64-3-3		
H662 (M)	(By Rep. Lake) – Income Tax Credit/Broadband Equipment – Repeal: Repeals existing law to delete the income tax credit for investment in broadband equipment.	General Order		
H663 (M)	(By Rep. Lake) – Sales Tax Exemption/TV Broadcast Equipment – Repeal: Repeals existing law to delete a sales tax exemption for radio and television broadcasting equipment.	Revenue & Taxation		
H664 (M)	(By Rep. Lake) – Research Activity/Income Tax Credit – Repeal: Repeals existing law relating to income tax credits for research activity.	General Order		
H680 (+)	(By Rep. Lake et al. & Sen. Hill et al.) – Community Infrastructure Districts – Creates a financial tool to allow new growth to pay for itself through the creation of Community Infrastructure Districts (CIDs). Only infrastructure that is impact fee-eligible, such as highways, roads, bridges, sewer, and water treatment facilities, and police, fire, and other public safety facilities may be funded with bond proceeds generated by a CID.	Passed 50-18-2	Local Government	
HCR45 (M)	(By Reps. Clark, Moyle) – Property Tax Study: This resolution authorizes the Legislative Council to establish an interim committee to study Idaho's property tax system, including the expenditure of property tax revenues, to determine if such expenditures might more reasonably be covered from other revenue sources, and to make recommendations to provide property tax relief while encouraging economic development, meeting the needs of local governments, and furthering the improved administration of Idaho's criminal justice, juvenile justice and court systems.	Adopted 67-0-3	Adopted 33-2-0	
HCR50a (M)	(By Reps. L. Smith, J. Wood, Hart, Mortimer, Hagedorn, M. Shepherd, Raybould, Stevenson, Schaefer, Wills, Andrus, Harwood, Loertscher, Ruchti, Barrett, Eskridge) – Transportation Dept. Evaluation: Authorizes Joint Legislative Oversight Committee through the Office of Performance Evaluations, to hire outside consultants to evaluate the way ITD does business with consultants and contractors. The completed report goes back to JLOC and ITD Board.	Adopted aa 67-0-3	Adopted 31-2-2	
S1249 (M)	(By Sen. Keough, Reps. Eskridge, Anderson) – North Idaho Adjudication amendments: This legislation Amends existing law relating to water rights adjudication to delete reference to water rights adjudication in the Kootenai and Clark Fork-Pend Oreille river basin. The purpose of this legislation is to remove Basins # 96, 97, 98, from the NIA.		Resources & Environment	

S1278 (M)	(By Sens: Broadsword, Keough, Reps. Eskridge, Anderson, Mary Lou Shepherd, Harwood) – Rathdrum Prairie Adjudication Narrowing: This legislation would narrow the focus of the North Idaho Water Adjudication to the Rathdrum Prairie.		Resources & Environment	
S1279 (M)	(By Sen: Broadsword, Reps. Mary Lou Shepherd, Harwood) – North Idaho Adjudication repeal: This legislation would repeal the Idaho Code relating to the northern Idaho water right adjudication.		Resources & Environment	
S1283 (-)	(By Human Rights Commission) – Allows attorney fees in discrimination cases: This legislation would provide that a district court may issue an order for attorney's fees in a civil action filed by the Human Rights Commission or filed by a person alleging unlawful discrimination. IACI believes this would lead to an unsubstantiated increase in the number of claims by setting up plaintiffs firms to receive bounties.		Judiciary & Rules	
S1289 (-)	(By Sen. Stennett) – Nuclear facility election: This legislation would require a vote of the people to construct a nuclear facility in Idaho.		State Affairs	
S1291 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk, Bilyeu, Sagness) – Personal financial disclosure: This legislation would require elected officials and candidates for public office to file personal financial disclosure statements with the Secretary of State.		State Affairs	
S1292 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk, Bilyeu, Sagness) – “Fair” elections act: This legislation would establish an alternative campaign financing option by creating the Idaho Fair Elections Trust Fund.		State Affairs	
S1293 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk, Bilyeu, Sagness) – Energy facility siting: This legislation provides for an energy facility siting panel to approve or disapprove sites for the proposed construction and operation of large merchant electric generation facilities.		State Affairs	
S1302 (-)	(By Sen. Kelly) – Lobbying prohibition for elected officials: This legislation would require a one-year “cooling off” period before a former legislator or executive official could register as a lobbyist.		State Affairs	
S1303 (-)	(By Sen. Kelly) – Lobbying door prohibition for public officials: This legislation would require a one-year “cooling off” period for former government officers and employees before lobbying the groups they previously worked with.		State Affairs	
S1304 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk, Sagness) – Raises homestead exemption to \$150,000: This legislation would increase the homeowner property tax exemption to \$150,000.		Local Government & Taxation	
S1314 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk,) – Moratorium on merchant power plants: This bill would place a two (2) year moratorium on applying for or issuance of permits, licenses or construction of a merchant thermal power plant.		State Affairs	
S1315 (-)	(By Sens. Stennett, Langhorst, Kelly, Burkett, Werk, Bilyeu, Sagness, Corder) – Sunset to all sales or income tax exemptions: This legislation proposes to implement a "zero-based tax exemption" system which would apply to all Idaho statutory tax credits, deductions, and exemptions. It provides for the expiration of all such credits, deductions, and exemptions on a periodic basis unless they are reauthorized by statute.		Local Government & Taxation	
S1344aa (M)	(By Department of Health & Welfare) – Requirement of Cooperation with H&W to be an insurer in Idaho: This legislation would require insurance companies to share coverage information about Medicaid recipients and enhances the Department's ability to recover funds that should have been paid by insurance carriers. The purpose of this proposed legislation is to bring Idaho in compliance with Federal Law.	Passed 63-0-7	Passed aa 33-0-2	Law 3/17/08

S1345 (-)	(By Department of Health & Welfare) – Medical Assistance: The purpose of this legislation is to require consent of the Department of Health and Welfare in order to settle claims against third parties which affect the recovery rights of the Department. It also requires judgments and settlements against third parties to give priority to recovery of medical assistance payments.		Health & Welfare	
S1360 (M)	(By Sen. Corder) – Transportation funding: This legislation will allow financing for projects under one of two conditions: (1) Judicial determination concludes that the project is “ordinary and necessary” and the board makes the build decision, or (2) The Board puts the decision to the patrons of the jurisdictional authority. Loans will be secured and paid by the collection of tolls from the project.		Held in Transportation	
S1393 (+)	(By Alex LaBeau) – Business Interests Protection: This legislation provides that an employer may enter into agreements with key employees and key independent contractors to protect a company’s legitimate business interests. The legislation defines “key employees” and “legitimate business interests,” and creates rebuttable presumptions as to the terms of the agreements.	Passed 43-27-0	Passed 25-10-0	Law 3/28/08
S1423 (-)	(By Sen. Stennett) – Transfer of Authority to Navigable Bodies of Water to Department of Parks Recreation: This legislation would transfer the authority to regulate and control the use or disposition of lands in the beds of navigable lakes, rivers and streams, to the ordinary high water mark from the state board of land commissioners to the park and recreation board.		Resources & Environment	
S1436 (+)	(By Sen. Goedde) – Teachers - Salaries: This legislation provides for a new method of teacher compensation in Idaho, called the Idaho State Teacher Advancement and Recognition System, or I-STARS.		Failed 16-19-0	
S1444aa (N)	(By Sens. Bastian & Broadsword, Reps. Bock & Anderson) – Volunteer Emergency Responders - Worker’s Compensation: Amends worker’s compensation act to provide minimum weekly benefits for volunteer emergency responders who are injured or disabled in the line of duty.	Passed 70-0-0	Passed 34-0-1	To Gov 3/26/08
S1446 (M)	(By Sec. Yursa, ProTem Geddes, Speaker Denney) – Lobbyist Reporting: Clarifies Sunshine Laws with regard to lobbyist reporting. Expands definition of ‘executive official’ and defines ‘lobbying’ to include building relationships and promoting goodwill, and clarifies what is to be reported.	Passed 69-0-1	Passed 31-1-3	To Gov 3/24/08
S1448 (+)	(By Roy Eiguren and Pat Barclay) – Amends Administrative Procedures Act to provide expanded definition of “guidance,” amends the act to conform to an Idaho Supreme Court definition of “rule,” and conforms legislative actions concerning rules review by deleting ability of Legislature to amend or modify rules to conform to another Idaho Supreme Court case.	State Affairs	Passed 32-0-3	
S1484 (+)	(By Sens. Pearce, Richardson, Jorgenson & Reps. Denney & Nielsen) – Initiatives/Requirements Revised: Allows for a statement of fiscal impact of proposed voter initiatives on state revenue, local government, private property and business. Allows voters to be fully informed on the cost or benefit of any initiative.	State Affairs	Passed 23-9-3	
SJR107 (M)	(By Ken Harward, Dan Chadwick, Steve Millard) – Revenue Generating Facilities: In response to <i>City of Boise v. Frazier</i> in 2006, amends Constitution to restrict multi-year debts and liabilities for political subdivisions of the state. It keeps 2/3 voter approval for general obligations and many revenue-funded obligations, and majority voter approval of health and safety-related revenue-funded obligations such as water and sewer.	State Affairs	Adopted 34-0-1	