Meeting Date: July 24, 2024 Agenda Item No. 5. A.

Agenda Item: FY 2026 Budget Approval Bureau Chief Approval: JO

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Background:

Provide an update and request the Commission's approval for the state fiscal year 2026 Legislative Budget Request. The 2026 budget request package is due to the Governor's office on August 30, 2024. The Department is seeking approval to submit the request, though minor details are still in development. These minor details are expected to change the overall total by \$3 million or less, or less than 2% of the total.

Statutory Authority and/or Policy Issues:

Chapter 35, Title 67 of *Idaho Code* specifies the requirements and timelines for all state agencies to submit their budget request for consideration of the upcoming Legislative Session.

Public Involvement Process:

N/A

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends Commission's approval of the State Fiscal Year 2026 budget request to the Governor's office as reviewed.

Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the State Fiscal Year 2026 budget request as presented, and allow the Department to modify the request as necessary for minor administrative items if they arise.