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Sponsor(s): Senators Brown, McCaslin and Fraser

Brief Description: Petitioning Idaho concerning the Basin Environmental Improvement Project Commission.

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Requests that the Idaho Legislature and Governor take action as follows: (1) That the Basin Commission be modified expeditiously so that all members have equal voting rights;

(2) That the membership of the Basin Commission be increased soon to include a representative of the county commission of Spokane county as appointed by the governor of the state of Washington; and

(3) That the state of Idaho enter into discussions with the state of Washington with the objective of replacing the present commission with a bistate entity having the participation of local, state, federal, and tribal governmental interests throughout the bistate watershed to coordinate the environmental remediation and natural resource restoration throughout the portion of the Spokane River/Couer d'Alene basin area designated under the federal Superfund law, and to obtain state, federal, and tribal agreement to that entity not later than December 31, 2006.