

## **HB 754a Testimony**

“We believe the Legislature traditionally has sincerely acted in good faith in budgeting to meet the important demands of Idaho’s citizens. We would not propose to handcuff the Legislature’s ability to create the budgets it determines are necessary to continue meeting those needs. However, we also believe that the spending limitation created by HB 754a will provide important parameters for holding spending levels in line with the growth in population and living costs.” **Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry (IACI)**

“NFIB members have always been strong supporters of limited government. They consistently favor spending restraint over tax increases. HB 754a fits this philosophy in that it will place reasonable limits on state government spending.” **National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)**

“HB 754a is a useful measure in controlling the rising expenditures of taxpayer dollars in Idaho. This legislation will cap future expenditures each year as adjusted annually for population growth and inflation. It is also a very beneficial tool for Idaho taxpayers. It creates a taxpayer reserve fund which would redistribute funds to taxpayers in cases in which revenues exceed expenditures.” **Food Producers of Idaho, Inc.**

“As taxpayers, Farm Bureau members believe that HB 754a would impose reasonable and prudent limits on the amount of money government could spend. This would smooth out the wild fluctuations in spending we have witnessed in recent years with 13.3% growth in one year followed by a 3.7% reduction the next year.” **Idaho Farm Bureau Federation**