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## BILL ANALYSIS / SUMMARY

# H0509

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### IDAHO DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION POSITION: **SUPPORT**

**SHORT TITLE:** Vehicle Inspections

**SPONSOR(S):** Representative Shawn Dygert, R-Melba; Senator Mark Harris, R-Soda Springs

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:** Transportation and Defense Committee

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** "This legislation stipulates that any vehicle subject to inspection will not be subject to re-inspection for 72 hours. This allows local truck traffic to operate for 72 hours between inspections and not be subject to multiple inspections on the same day. This balance between need for safety and trucks being able to operate in a productive manner."

**FISCAL NOTE:** "This legislation causes no increase or decrease in revenue, or additional expenditure of funds at the state or local level of government; therefore, this legislation has no fiscal impact."

**BILL SUMMARY:** House Bill 0509 amends section 40-511 of the Idaho code regarding the inspection requirements for vehicles with a gross weight of 26,001 pounds or more. The amendment changes the inspection requirement so a vehicle required to stop at a port of entry for inspection can lawfully bypass inspection for 72 hours following the initial inspection.

**REASONING FOR POSITION:** IDA supports HB 0509 because it provides relief to the processors whose trucks must stop at ports of entry. This bill would increase the productivity of processors trucks and will reduce the time spent at ports of entry, especially for local trucks that may pass through multiple ports of entry in a single day. The smooth transfer of milk from dairies to processors is essential to maintain the quality of the product. The proposed amendment maintains safety requirements for large trucks while decreasing redundant inspection processes and allowing a smoother transfer of milk.

**IMPACTS TO AGRICULTURE:** The proposed amendments would allow large vehicles that travel in a local area to be subject to a single inspection in a 72-hour period. For the dairy industry this will allow trucks collecting milk for processors to more efficiently transport products without having to stop for inspection multiple times over a 72-hour period. Improving the efficiency of milk transport will reduce costs for processors and improve service to dairies. Other benefits to agriculture include improved transportation times for shipments of other agricultural products such as feed, bedding straw, inputs, and animals.

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