

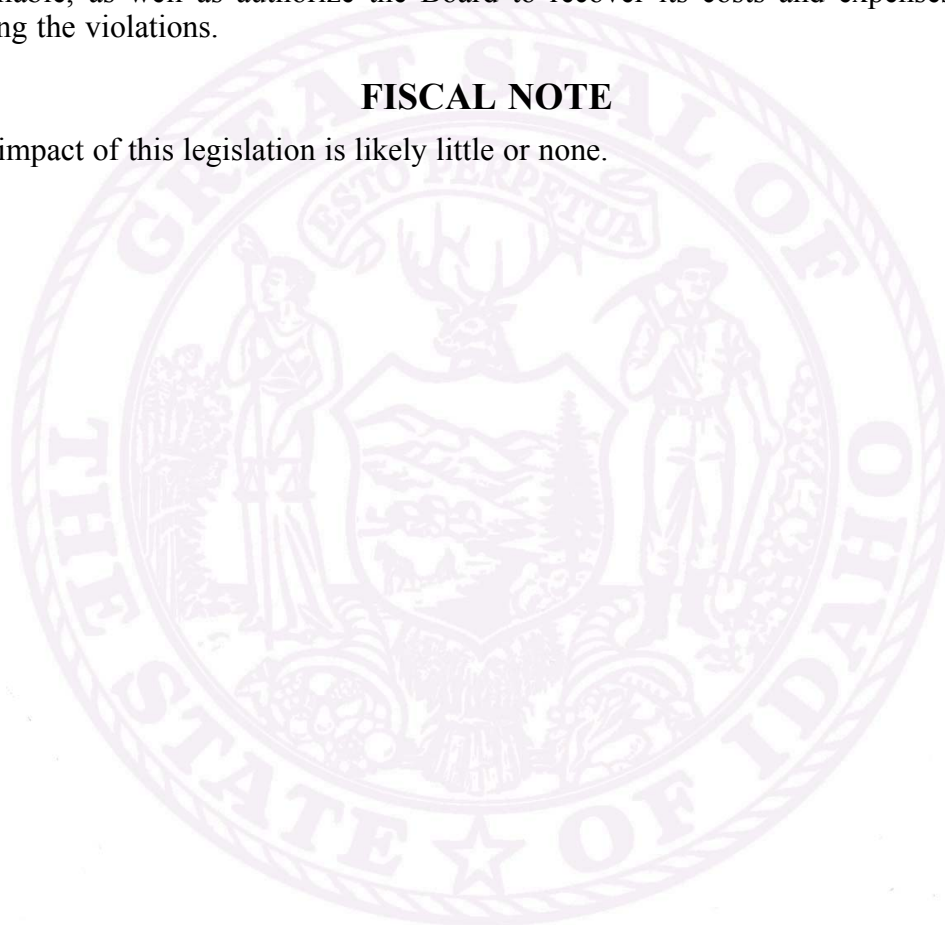
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24000

The Board of Veterinary Medicine currently has statutory authority to revoke, suspend, fine, or otherwise impose formal discipline against a license or certificate and authority to, in lieu of formal discipline, offer a non-disciplinary option for certain record-keeping or continuing education violations. The proposed legislation seeks to broaden the circumstances in which the non-disciplinary alternative is available to include all situations where Board statutes or rules have been violated, but where the Board's Liaison Officer has determined that public safety will not be compromised and a better or more appropriate resolution can be achieved through use of a non-disciplinary option. The proposed legislation will clarify when an alternative to discipline is not available, as well as authorize the Board to recover its costs and expenses incurred in investigating the violations.

FISCAL NOTE

The fiscal impact of this legislation is likely little or none.



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