## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS29348 / S1275

This bill amends section 43-201 to include the residency requirements as part of the Nominee's Oath for irrigation district board elections. Idaho code includes a number of criteria for interested individuals to qualify to serve on an irrigation district board. These qualifications include ownership of land within the district, residency requirements and age requirements (i.e. they must be at least 18 years old). Section 43-201(5) includes a Nominee's Oath that must be signed by each interested individual to certify that the individual meets each of the criteria. The current statutory for the Nominee's Oath includes language for all criteria except the residency requirement. This has created confusion for some irrigation districts as they have had potential board candidates sign the Nominee's Oath without meeting the residency requirements. This amendment would add the residency requirements to the statutory language for the Nominee's Oath.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

This legislation will have no impact on the state's General fund because the proposed amendment is limited to adding existing residency requirements to the language for the Nominee's Oath in section 43-201(5).

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