

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS25962

The purpose of this bill is to increase the daily rate for state sentenced prisoners housed in county jails from \$45 a day to \$55 a day for the first seven days of housing followed by \$75 a day thereafter. The Idaho Department of Correction houses approximately 1,000 state prisoners in the county jails throughout the state on any given day. The daily rate has increased only ten dollars over the last 20 years. The average county cost of housing state prisoners in the county jails is over \$81 dollars a day. It is appropriate to adjust this daily rate so that the county property taxpayers will not have to make up the cost difference in housing state prisoners.

### FISCAL NOTE

Based upon information received from the Idaho Department of Correction on February 27, 2018, the fiscal impact begins \$6.2 million. As it appears, the Department of Correction will soon transfer state prisoners out of state, it is impossible to project the cost to the state further at this time.

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