STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This bill amends the State Board of Optometry's renewal and reinstatement of license statute by aligning it with Idaho Code Section 67-2614, the Bureau of Occupational License's statute for renewal or reinstatement of licenses. During the 2015 regular legislative session, House Bill 117 updated Idaho Code Section 67-2614 to establish a uniform license reinstatement process. Aligning with Idaho Code Section 67-2614 will simplify and standardize reinstatement of expired licenses.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no impact to the General Fund. The State Board of Optometry operates solely on dedicated funds derived primarily from licensing fees. This bill will allow the Board to lower the license reinstatement fee from \$150 to \$35 and allow the elimination of the requirement that those with expired licenses pay a license renewal fee for each year that their license was expired.



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