## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS23978

Under the direction of the legislature, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is seeking primacy over the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program currently administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The purpose of this legislation is to amend the Idaho Public Records Law to ensure access to water quality records and the protection of trade secrets associated with the federal clean water act and the new Idaho Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (IPDES) program.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

There is no fiscal impact to the state.



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