

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24907

This bill amends the massage therapists chapter of the Idaho Code to require applicants and currently licensed massage therapists to obtain and submit a satisfactory fingerprint-based criminal history check to the Idaho Board of Massage Therapy for the public's protection.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact on the general fund. The Bureau of Occupational Licenses would need additional spending authority to pass through to the Idaho State Police the fees collected to perform the background checks. Based on 2,179 current licensees and approximately 280 applicants per year at a current cost of \$37 per background check, the Bureau would need a one-time appropriation of \$80,623 and an on-going annual appropriation of \$10,360. Additionally, the Bureau would need a one-time appropriation of \$30,000 for computer costs, additional board expenses, and part-time help to process background checks for current licensees.

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