STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Sections 33-2107A through 33-2107C, Idaho Code authorize community colleges to offer third and fourth year college curriculum contingent to specific provisions being met and State Board of Education approval. These sections of code were enacted in 1965 and much of the language contained therein is outdated. Proposed amendments would update the language in Section 33-2107C, Idaho Code, specifying the district used for determining the market value of taxable property and population necessary to provide upper division courses are both the taxing district rather than the county the community college is located in. Amendments to sections 33-2107B and 33-2107C include technical corrections.

FISCAL NOTE

Alternatively, we could go with something simpler along these lines: There is no known fiscal impact to any state fund as a result of the amendments proposed in this legislation, nor any known additional cost to the public. The proposed amendments provide the College of Southern Idaho with the same opportunity that North Idaho College and College of Western Idaho currently have. If any community college chooses to offer upper division courses and receives approval from the State Board of Education, then existing statutory language authorizes the boards of trustees the use of levy funds for facilities within certain statutory limits and authorizes the boards of trustees to assess necessary tuition and fees for those courses. Currently, Idaho law authorizes the joint use of facilities for upper division courses as well as said use is properly accounted for and the cost of operating upper division courses must be provided by tuition and fees paid by the student.

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