## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS25222

This proposed legislation would close a loophole in Idaho Code Title 49-1602. The loophole allows dealers and sales people who have been convicted of crimes pertaining to the car business, to immediately re-apply for and receive a dealer or sales license. Under the existing code, these criminals can obtain a new license even if they haven't made any restitution for the damage they have caused by their previous illegal activity. With these changes to the Code, a license may be denied until a specified amount of time has passed since the previous conviction, a license may be denied until proper restitution has been made to those injured by previous crimes, consumers would be protected from proven law breakers, the integrity of the Vehicle and Vessel Dealership Industry would be strengthened, and the current hearing process would remain intact for those individuals who wish to dispute the license denial.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

There is no impact to the General Fund because this legislation does not alter the fees pertaining to licensing of auto dealers or salesman under the Idaho Transportation Department's administrative process.

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