STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25407

This bill, The Landowner Bill of Rights, amends Title 47, Chapter 3 relating to oil and gas. It protects private property owners, state endowment lands, and taxpayers by updating Idaho law in accordance with other Rocky Mountain States by improving processes, transparency, and reporting of oil and gas development.

FISCAL NOTE

Implementation of the regulations outlined in this legislation will require professional staff dedicated to oil and gas activities in Idaho. Senate Bill 1099 is currently pending and the associated trailer bill would provide the additional resources necessary including three new full time positions at the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) in a new Oil and Gas Division, as well as \$375,000 ongoing and \$3,900 one-time general fund support for personnel costs and associated operating expenses. If Senate Bill 1099 and the associated appropriation are not approved, this legislation and the subsequent regulatory changes will require the appropriation outlined above and as described in the fiscal note for Senate Bill 1099.

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