STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25778

The purpose of this bill is to define the meaning of low-power, pedal-assist electric bikes (e-bikes) and to revise the definition in Idaho code. It allows cities, counties, or the governing body of a public agency to have jurisdiction over speed on a path or trail and may prohibit by ordinance the operation of an e-bike on that path or trail.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the state for RS 25778. Since this RS does not require local units of government to install signage, there is no fiscal impact to local units of government. However, local governments have the option to update or provide signage to limit speeds on roads and trails and add the term "electric assisted bicycle prohibited (or allowed) to signage on multi-use pathways. The cost of a new sign is approximately \$180.00, not including the post, hardware, or labor. The cost to add a reflective sticker to a sign would be approximately \$1.45 for each 1 x 6-inch sticker; the cost of a non-reflective sticker would be approximately \$1.17 per sticker.

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