STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Idaho Wolf Depredation Control Board Statute, I.C.§ 22-5307, is set to sunset on June 30, 2020. Action will need to be taken this year if the Board is going to be extended beyond its sunset date.

FISCAL NOTE

Funds overseen by the Wolf Depredation Control Board are currently provided from three sources: the livestock industry, sportsmen, and the General Fund. The livestock sub-account, consisting of dedicated fees collected on cattle and sheep, is up to \$110,000 per year. The livestock sub-account is matched dollar for dollar annually by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game sub-account up to \$110,000. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game sub-account consists of dedicated fees collected from Idaho sportsmen through the sale of fishing and hunting licenses. The fiscal impact to the General Fund is determined annually based on the recommendation of the Wolf Depredation Control Board and subsequent recommendation of the Governor. Historically, the Governor has recommended, and the Legislature has appropriated, \$400,000 from the General Fund. The Governor recommends \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2020.

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