STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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To remove mandatory driver's education law in the State of Idaho and replace it with the following:

Age 14- Apply for learner's permit (and pass written exam); record at least 50 hours of supervised driving by a licensed parent or guardian 21 years of age or older. Age 16- Apply for intermediate license (and pass state driving exam); includes Graduated Driver's License rules, which have been proven to be safer and more effective than driver's education classes. Age 17- No change to current law.

FISCAL NOTE

The end balance of the State's Driver's Education Fund for FY 2019 was over 4.9 million dollars and 2.2 million for FY 2020 (according to the Idaho Public Driver Education Annual Report, created 8/30/19 and 9/3/20). If driver's education classes were made optional and parents could have the option to teach their children to drive, it would save Idaho families and taxpayers hundreds of dollars per child.

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