STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This is one of a series of bills the Supreme Court has recommended in its annual report to the Governor concerning defects or omissions in the laws, as required by article V, section 25 of the Idaho Constitution. For cases involving persons with a developmental disability, I.C. § 66-404A currently requires courts to hold hearings on the appropriateness of the appointment of a temporary guardian within ten (10) days after request for such a hearing. In order to reduce confusion to those affected by procedural time frames, the courts strive to establish time periods computed only on seven (7) day increments. Thus, in order to bring proceedings regarding the temporary appointment of guardians for developmentally disabled persons in line with the courts' efforts to reduce confusion, the ten (10) day time frame in I.C. § 66-404A(3)(b) should be changed to fourteen (14) days.

FISCAL NOTE

This proposed amendment will have no fiscal impact upon the General Fund, any other state fund, or local governments. Since the proposed amendment only seeks to modify a procedural deadline by a few days in a specific type of judicial proceeding, it is projected this proposed amendment will cause neither an increase nor decrease in existing or future appropriations or revenues.

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