## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS28534 / S1096

This proposed legislation provides for a new classification of catastrophic disability benefit under the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI). This will apply to police officer and firefighter members who are catastrophically injured in the line of duty. It provides for disability enhancements, specific conditions for payments, and periodic Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA). It also clarifies that a member receiving the catastrophic disability benefit may return to work under certain conditions.

## FISCAL NOTE

This is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact to the General Fund, nor to any other state or local budgets or others participating in PERSI because the costs associated with this benefit will be borne by the police officer and firefighter members that are eligible to receive the benefit.

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