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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation rewrites Idaho's human trafficking laws and related statutes regarding commercial sexual activity and imposes upon the Attorney General the duty to write a report on human trafficking every other year; maintain curriculum for educating prosecutors, law enforcement, victim advocates, and the public on human trafficking in Idaho; and assist county prosecuting attorneys in the investigation and prosecution of human trafficking. This legislation has three primary goals: (1) make Idaho's human trafficking laws more victim-centered, (2) provide law enforcement with clearer and more effective laws for investigating and prosecuting human trafficking, and (3) provide state-level resources for combatting human trafficking.

FISCAL NOTE

The Attorney General will need additional resources to comply with the duties imposed by this legislation. The anticipated fiscal impact on the General Fund for FY2025 is \$239,524, which includes \$160,424 in ongoing personnel expenses for one (1) FTP for a Deputy Attorney General; \$30,100 for ongoing operating expenses for travel, training, and maintaining a curriculum for educating prosecutors, law enforcement, victim advocates, and the public; and a onetime expense of \$49,000 to provide equipment and a vehicle for the new Deputy Attorney General, who will have to travel across the state to provide training and assist local law enforcement.

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