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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Department of Health and Welfare seeks to update Title 39, Chapter 35 - Idaho Certified Family Homes, Idaho Code. This legislation was put on hold last year as the Governor explored a possible reorganization of the Division of Licensing and Certification under the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses. As that contemplated reorganization has been tabled indefinitely, the Department is now resuming the statutory changes to update, clarify, simplify, remove redundant or inconsistent language, enhance resident rights, and give the Department more flexibility in executing its responsibility to provide regulatory oversight to certified family homes in Idaho.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no impact on the State's General Fund or any dedicated fund or federal fund because these updates to statute do not include any additional service, regulatory requirement, or fees not already existent. No fee amounts are changed by this legislation. Since 2019, these fees have averaged \$821,588 annually in dedicated funds revenue. This projected yearly revenue remains unchanged unless the program significantly grows or contracts (the number of certified family home providers statewide has plateaued in recent years). The updates seek to align definitions and reflect the current environment. Substantive changes to the statute have not been made since 2005.

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