

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation would allow those psychologists who have a doctorate degree in psychology, and obtain a master's degree in clinical psychopharmacology, clinical experience, pass a nationally recognized exam, and have two years of supervision by a medical doctor to have prescriptive authority in their field. This legislation mandates that a prescribing psychologist collaborate with the patient's primary care provider. This legislation requires for an advisory panel of experts to advise the Board of Psychology on issues relevant to prescribing psychologists.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to general funds, the Board of Psychology may assess up to \$300 to those who voluntarily apply for provisional certification or certification to prescribe to cover the additional costs to the Board for the on-going costs associated with certification of prescribing psychologists. The education required may be offered by an institution in Idaho, but is not required to do so. If such an institution was to voluntarily offer the clinical psychopharmacology program any costs would need to be approved by the state board of education and could be offset by the student tuition.

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