

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS30036 / S1026

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. I.C. § 3-103 currently prevents new attorneys from receiving a license to practice law until they have signed the Supreme Court's roll of attorneys. This signature requirement presents a hurdle to the remote swearing-in of new attorneys, and this bill seeks to remove this impediment by permitting the signature to occur per court rule. This amendment to I.C. § 3-103 will allow the Court to adopt a rule that both satisfies the signature requirement and allows new attorneys to take their oaths and be sworn in via a remote process.

FISCAL NOTE

This proposed amendment will have no fiscal impact upon the General Fund, any other state fund, or local governments. The proposed amendment simply permits the Supreme Court to adopt a rule that will allow new attorneys to be sworn in via a remote process, and it will cause neither an increase nor decrease in existing or future appropriations or revenues.

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