

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Under traditional state law, a person's last will and testament is only valid if written on a tangible material (usually paper), signed by the testator, and signed by two witnesses. These traditional execution requirements prevent courts from recognizing and enforcing the terms of electronic wills, an anomaly in the internet age when electronic legal documents and signatures are common. The Uniform Electronic Wills Act modernizes the law. Under the Uniform Electronic Wills Act, courts will recognize a person's electronic will if it is executed in compliance with the law and the court determines the will is valid.

## FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no fiscal impact on the State of Idaho or local government because no new taxes or fees are established.

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