

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Idaho Juvenile Corrections Act allows the court to place juvenile offenders on probation for up to three years. In some cases judges have ordered juvenile offenders to pay a probation supervision fee for the time the offender is on probation. Currently there is no statutory fee for juvenile probation; however, some counties have been collecting court ordered juvenile probation fees through Odyssey. Judges and counties were notified in November that effective June 2019, Odyssey would no longer be configured to allow court ordered juvenile probation fees to be collected. As a result, counties would be required to create new tracking and collection portals outside of Odyssey.

The proposed legislation amends Section 20-520, Idaho Code to establish a statutory juvenile probation supervision fee to be paid to the clerk of the court, amends Section 19-4708, Idaho Code, to allow for the collection of debts owed by juvenile offenders to the court, and Section 20-529, Idaho Code, to specify that revenues from juvenile probation fees are to be used exclusively for county juvenile probation services.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact on the state general fund as juvenile probation programs are handled at the county level. There is no fiscal impact to county governments because juvenile probation programs are already in place. If the bill fails to become law, counties would incur additional costs as they would have to develop new tracking and collection systems for individuals placed on juvenile probation.

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