

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this legislation is to continue to provide work and employment opportunities for individuals with significant disabilities. These community-based services known as Extended Employment Services were created and codified by the Idaho Legislature in 1978. This new chapter places these services under the direction and administration of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. The majority of state services provided the eligible population defined in this statute are provided by the Department of Health and Welfare. Consolidating the extended employment program with these existing services provides greater efficiency, consistency and quality outcomes for persons served. The Statute is consistent and based on 47.01.02 Rules and Minimum Standards Governing Extended Employment Services as modified by House Concurrent Resolution Number 18.

## FISCAL NOTE

This legislation would require transferring the associated funding in the Extended Employment Services program from Vocational Rehabilitation to the Department of Health & Welfare for a net zero impact.

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