

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27199 / S1223

Consistent with the Red Tape Reduction Act, this bill seeks to eliminate obsolete and unnecessary restrictions. Specifically, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) proposes repealing Title 37, Chapter 16 which governs labeling of some imported food products, and Title 37, Chapter 26 which governs the enrichment of bread and flour.

The ISDA seeks to remove excessive and burdensome regulations imposed on Idaho's businesses. The chapters proposed for repeal have been superseded by federal standards. They are outdated and no longer reflect market-driven quality assurance measures instituted by manufacturers and/or by retailers. The ISDA has received no complaints relevant to these laws in recent memory, and the agency does not have a program to enforce the chapters.

FISCAL NOTE

The bill may result in cost savings for food retailers and/or bread and flour manufacturers as some businesses may put a priority on complying with these latent laws—at a cost—while others do not.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the ISDA or the General Fund. The agency has no programs, revenues or expenses associated with these chapters.

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