## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS19498

This legislation relates to the Child Protective Act by amending section 16-1619 Idaho Code to include felony injury to a child on the list of offenses where the Department of Health and Welfare need not seek reunification with the parent. By adding felony injury to a child and serious bodily injury to a child to this list, the department can seek foster care and avoid going through a lengthy and costly judicial process which is not in the best interest of the child.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

No negative impact to the state general fund.



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