

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This concurrent resolution encourages cities, counties, and other local governing bodies to support **young entrepreneurs** by reducing regulatory barriers that may discourage minors from starting small businesses. The resolution recognizes that youth-run businesses - such as lemonade stands, lawn care services, and craft sales - teach valuable real-world skills, instill a strong work ethic, and foster community engagement. By simplifying processes and eliminating permitting and licensure fees for these small ventures, local governments can promote entrepreneurship, innovation, and economic participation among young Idahoans.

The resolution further emphasizes that hard working and enterprise are foundational to the **American dream** and that empowering youth to start businesses contributes to the long-term prosperity of communities. It calls on local governments to adopt policies that encourage youth entrepreneurship while maintaining appropriate public health and safety standards. Additionally, it suggests that cities and counties provide opportunities for youth entrepreneurs to showcase their products and services through **community events, fairs, and markets**.

FISCAL NOTE

This resolution does not impose any **direct financial obligations** on the state, as it only provides recommendations for local governments. Any fiscal impact would be at the discretion of cities and counties choosing to waive permitting and licensure fees for youth businesses. Given that most youth-run enterprises operate on a small scale, the potential loss in municipal fee revenue is expected to be **minimal** and would likely be offset by the economic and community benefits of encouraging youth entrepreneurship.

Furthermore, by fostering **early business experiences**, this initiative may contribute to **long-term economic growth**, encouraging young people to develop entrepreneurial skills that benefit Idaho's workforce and economy in the future. No additional state appropriations are required to implement this resolution.

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