

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Proposed legislation will amend Idaho Code § 47-320, which covers drill permit application fees submitted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Currently, the fee amount is one hundred dollars (\$100). This amount is not sufficient to cover the costs of reviewing and administering these permits.

A fee increase is necessary for the program to become self sufficient and reduce the burden on the general fund. Fees would be placed into an existing dedicated account for the use of the Commission. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force upon passage and approval.

FISCAL NOTE

These changes will have a positive effect on the general fund by reducing the burden of general tax dollars required to administer this program. The fees may be used for administration and enforcement of Title 47, Chapter 3, Idaho Code.

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