

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

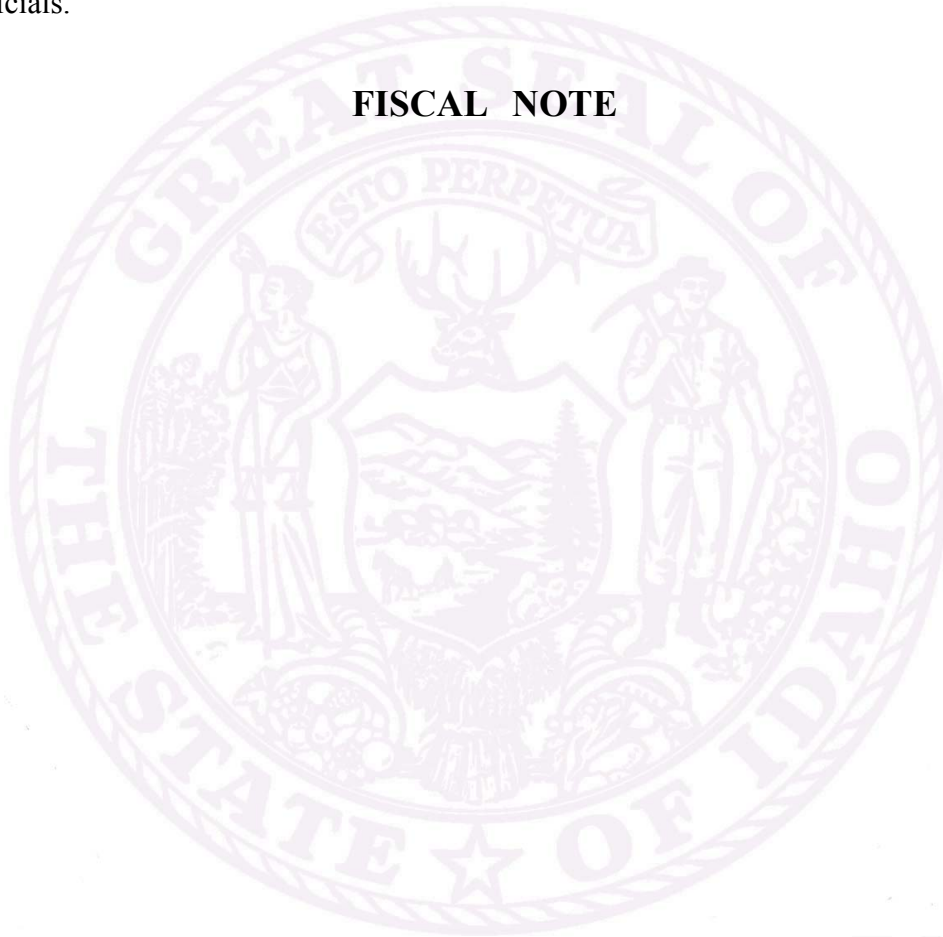
### RS20986

The purpose of this legislation is to treat legislators the same as all other elected officials with respect to accumulated service time for PERSI benefits.

A past legislature carved out special PERSI benefits for legislators. Present law allows a person that serves in the legislature for a period of time to accumulate service time for PERSI benefits. That person can then take an appointment to a higher paying public position and after serving in that position a minimum of 42 months, retire with the benefit provided by the higher pay. No other elected official can claim this benefit. Legislators should be held to the same standard as other elected officials.

### FISCAL NOTE

None.



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