

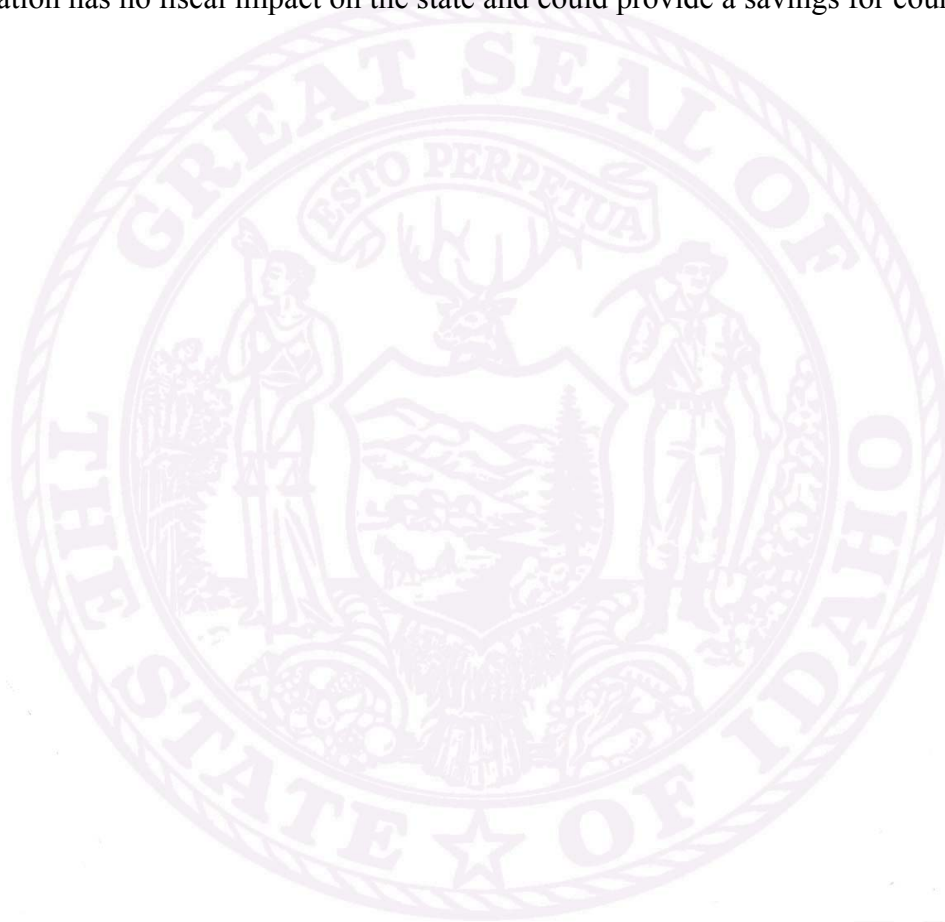
## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS21228

This legislation clarifies the procedures for handling and opening absentee ballot envelopes for counting. It specifies when absentee ballots counted at a central location may be opened for processing and specifies ballot security measures to be taken. In addition to in-person absentee voting, the legislation also provides for "early voting" and specifies the procedures to be followed.

### FISCAL NOTE

This legislation has no fiscal impact on the state and could provide a savings for counties.



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