

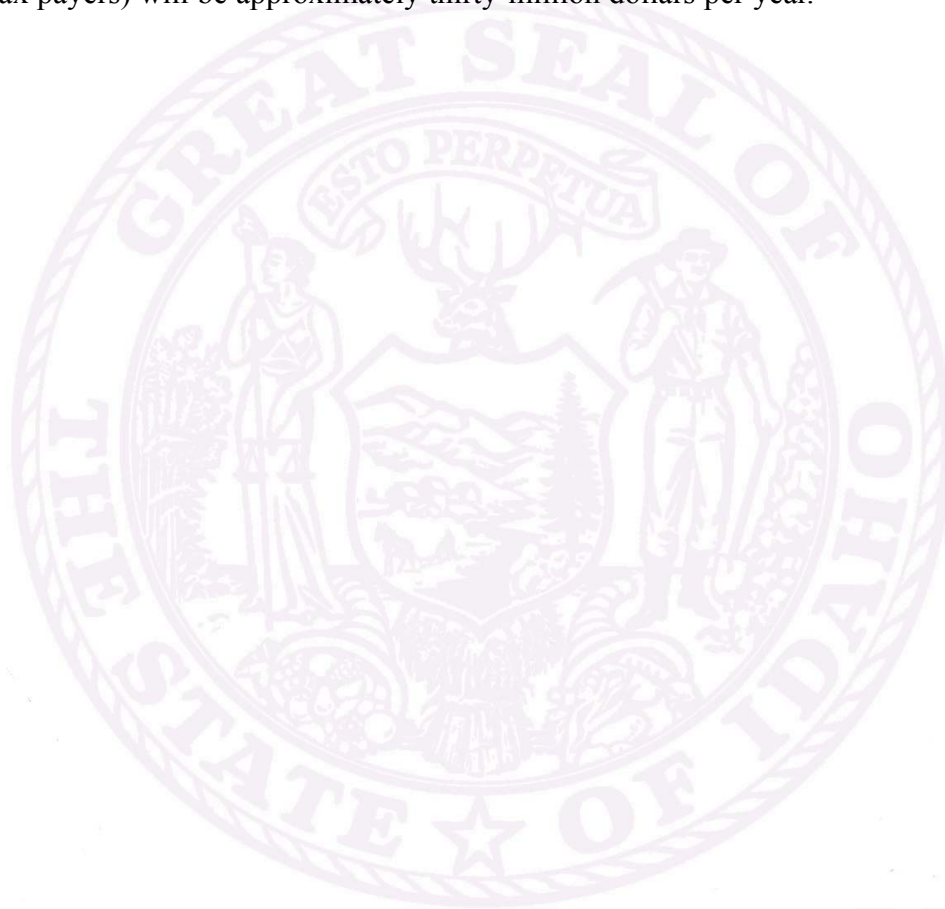
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22887

This legislation repeals the Medically Indigent Program and Catastrophic Health Care Costs Program. It provides financial assistance for involuntary mental health and provides indigent burial assistance. It lowers the ad valorem tax on property used to provide for the administrative costs of these services from .1% to .03 %. The county must reduce its property tax portion of their budget levied for each of the prior 3 years.

FISCAL NOTE

Savings to the State general fund is approximately thirty-six million dollars. Savings to counties (property tax payers) will be approximately thirty-million dollars per year.



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