## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS23435C1

The purpose of this bill is to align Idaho laws with the true meaning of the Second Amendment such that law abiding citizens may carry concealed weapons without a permit. Idaho law already permits openly carrying weapons throughout the state. Idaho law already allows lawmakers to carry firearms without a permit. This bill extends permitless carry (commonly referred to as Constitutional Carry) to all law abiding citizens.

This bill does not impact those barred from possessing firearms under State law. Those prohibited from possessing firearms, such as convicted felons, will still be prohibited. This bill does not impact criminal activity. It will still be prohibited to commit crimes with weapons.

This bill retains the existing concealed weapons permitting system to enable reciprocity with other states, retain "enhanced permit" rights such as "Campus Carry", and expedite background checks for firearms purchases.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

No fiscal impact.

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