

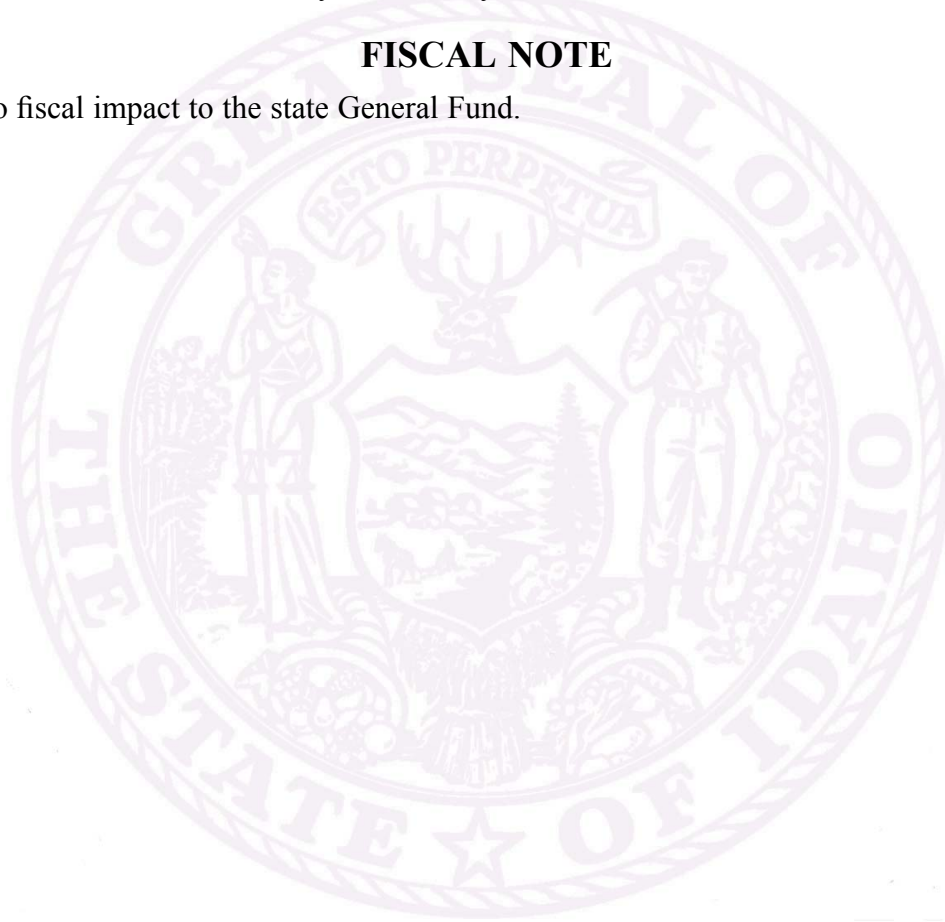
## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

### **RS23584**

The purpose of this legislation is to provide a specific exemption under the Idaho Employment Security Law regarding owner-operators in the trucking industry. Owner-operators are in the independent business of leasing trucks to a motor carrier and supplying drivers to operate the leased trucks. Recent court cases in Idaho have demonstrated the potential misapplication and/or misinterpretation of the current general exemption under the Idaho Employment Security Law when applied to owner-operators. As a result of these recent court cases, many motor carriers have chosen not to engage owner-operators in Idaho. This legislation would reduce future litigation by providing a clear and concise exemption that can be efficiently administered and enforced by the Department of Labor and reasonably relied on by the motor carriers.

### **FISCAL NOTE**

There is no fiscal impact to the state General Fund.



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