

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

### **RS23380**

The purpose of this legislation is to bring consistency to the residency requirements for obtaining fishing and hunting licenses in Idaho. Currently, Idaho Code 36-202 (s) defines 'Resident' to be someone who has lived in the state for 6 months but the definition for 'Senior Resident' in 36-202 (t) requires one to have lived in Idaho for 5 years. Additionally Idaho Code 36-404 Class 4: Senior Resident Combination License also defines the residency requirement to be 5 years.

The legislation changes 36-202 (t) and 36-404 Class 4 residency requirements to match 36-202 (s) and provides consistency in the definition of residency for the purposes of Idaho Fish & Game licenses.

### **FISCAL NOTE**

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) reports that during 2014, 43,500 senior combination licenses were sold. IDFG estimates that 2600 seniors purchased licenses at the full price of \$31.75 (excluding vendor fees), instead of purchasing licenses at the reduced senior price of \$10.00 (excluding vendor fees), If all seniors purchased licenses at the reduced senior price, IDFG would potentially lose \$56,550 in revenue.

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