STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this legislation is to increase the efficiency of storage and maintenance of highway district public records and contracts. This legislation updates highway district public records retention requirements to allow for the photographic or digital storage of records and the subsequent release or destruction of paper records. Additionally, this legislation allows highway districts to incorporate by reference an electronic (web based) version of unsigned terms to a contract.

The language used in section one (1) mirrors the requirements for counties in Idaho Code § 31-871A. This legislation allows for permanent records to be stored permanently in a digital or photographic medium and for paper records to be returned or destroyed, which is the current practice with other permanent records such as publicly recorded records.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no fiscal impact to the State. There will be financial savings to highway districts by avoiding the cost of long term storage, printing, and copying of paper documents.

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