

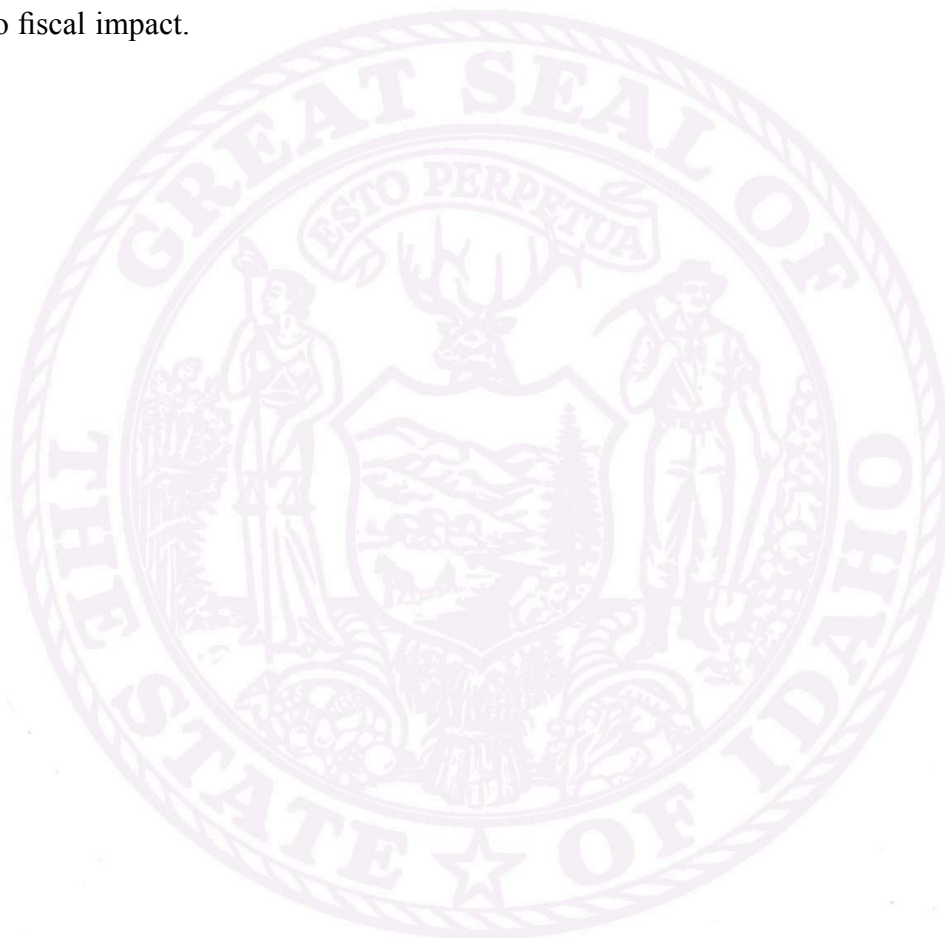
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23840

This bill allows victims of human trafficking to petition our courts to vacate convictions and expunge records of prostitution charges and other charges for which a defense of coercion would be available that result from their condition of being enslaved. Providing this avenue will help these victims to have the opportunity to improve their lives after they escape or are freed from involuntary servitude and victimization. Expungement will enable these victims to obtain education, housing and employment that otherwise would not be available to them.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact.



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