

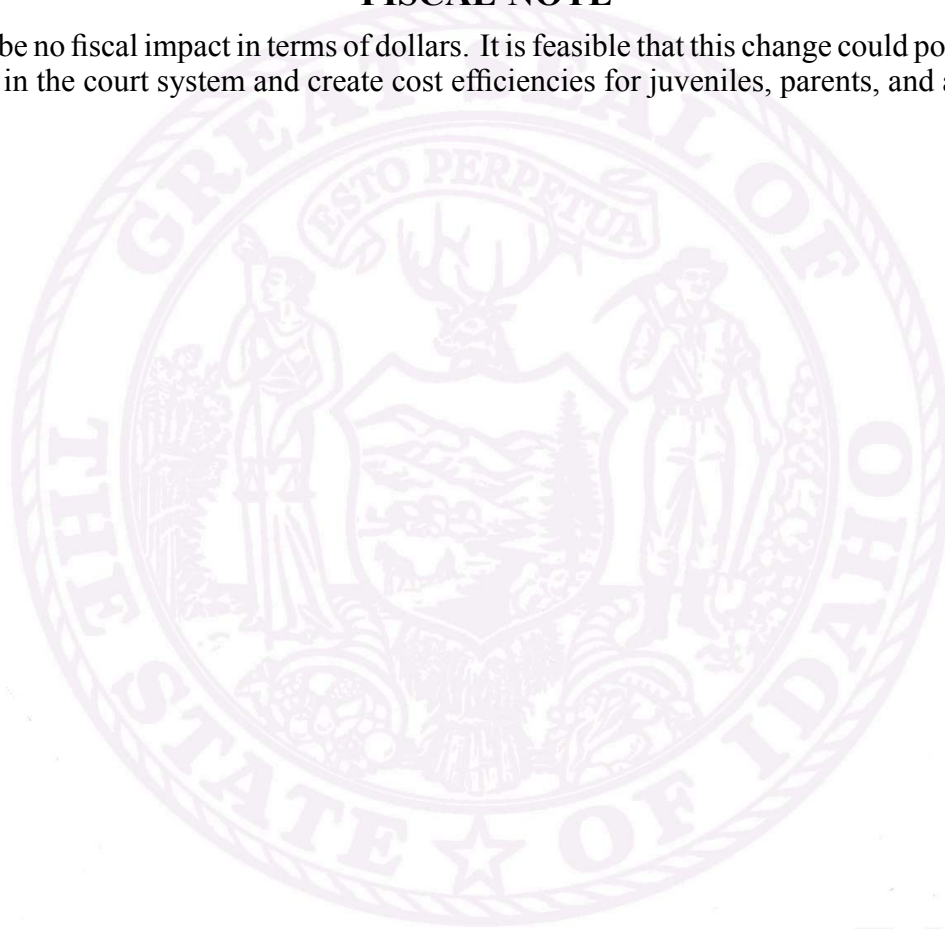
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24001

Amending section 20-511 will more clearly define when an informal adjustment can occur and be dismissed, and will align with common practice. Currently, the statute states that the informal adjustment of the petition may only occur when the juvenile enters an admission at the admission or denial hearing when, in fact, that admission may occur at any time during the court process. Another change is being made to Section (3), removing the need for the juvenile to petition the court for dismissal of an informal adjustment case and requiring the case to be dismissed by the court if all the three requirements of 20-511(3) have been found met.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no fiscal impact in terms of dollars. It is feasible that this change could possibly reduce workloads in the court system and create cost efficiencies for juveniles, parents, and attorneys.



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