

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS26917

This legislation changes the definitions in Idaho Code 7-1103 regarding "child", "mother" and "father", to include a preborn child, conceived, but not yet born. There by enabling the State or a private party to determine paternity at a much earlier date than birth. Due to technological advances, paternity, by non-invasive means, can be established, with legal certainty, while the child is in utero. This will allow the State or a private party to attach an earlier date to an action for paternity, to recover payments for financial responsibility owed by a father.

### FISCAL NOTE

This legislation has no fiscal impact on the General Fund. It is an amendment to definitions only.

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