

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Recreation is Idaho's third largest industry. Access to hunting, fishing, motorized trails, hiking and all other forms of recreation is vital to the economy and outdoor culture of Idaho. Current laws to prevent individuals from communicating that public grounds are private, or from physically blocking access to public grounds, go unenforced due to resource constraints of enforcement authorities. This legislation adds a civil remedy to address violations of intentional access obstruction, to ensure public access while addressing law enforcement constraints.

FISCAL NOTE

There would be no impact to the state General Fund; this simply adds a civil remedy to existing criminal code with no cost, and potential cost savings to counties.

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