STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28342 / H0073

The purpose of RS 28342 is to provide for the uniform accounting, budgeting, and financial reporting procedures for counties, cities, urban renewal agencies, and all other local districts. It is the purpose of this act to enable such local governmental entities and the state controller's office to provide comparable data by the use of uniform accounting, budgeting, and financial reporting procedures. It is also the intent of RS 28342 for the financial data of education providers, as that term is defined in section 33-357, Idaho Code, to be submitted to the state controller's office to be correlated to the uniform accounting, budgeting, and financial reporting procedures to enhance public access to the education providers' financial data. It is also the intent of RS 28342 to ensure uniform auditing of health district finances.

RS 28342 creates the Committee on Uniform Accounting and Transparency for Local Governmental Entities. The committee's primary duty and responsibility will be to cooperatively develop, approve, monitor, and revise, as needed, the uniform accounting, budgeting, and financial reporting system, and manual, for local governmental agencies

RS 28342 directs the controller's office to publish the resulting uniform accounting, budgeting, and financial information on the controller's Transparent Idaho website

FISCAL NOTE

Organizations able to quantify their cost savings from analyzing this type of data reported an average 10% reduction in costs per the Harvard Business School Quoting a BARC Study

The aggregate predicted ROI for the Idaho property taxpayer based on the estimated 2020 property tax levy of \$2,152,707,163.00: 10% Reduction = \$212,570,716 property tax savings; 5% Reduction = \$107,635,582 property tax savings; 1% Reduction = \$21,257,072 property tax savings; 01% Reduction = \$2,152,707 property tax savings.

The impact to the general fund to implement this program is \$1,592,471. The subsequent, ongoing annual impact for this program is \$1,502,471.

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To begin data collection as soon as possible, \$88,000 of the above program cost has been included as a supplemental request for the 2021 budget year. This supplemental will allow initial results from this program to be available in the Fall of 2021.

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