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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation amends the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Taxes statute to include electronic smoking products and devices into the tobacco products definition to include all forms of tobacco, nicotine, and smoking devices. The bill provides parity between traditional tobacco products and new and emerging smoking devices.

FISCAL NOTE

Incorporation into current tax collection methods for traditional tobacco products will create a minimal disruption or additional burden to the current tax collection system. Currently Idaho collects approximately \$12 to \$15 million in tobacco taxes. This legislation could increase collections by approximately \$10 to \$15 million. Additional revenue collected from this legislation will be used to lower property taxes. The overall tax burden to Idahoans will be neutral.

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