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Members of the Senate Commerce and Human Resources Committee,

RE: Support for SB 1054

The Idaho Fraternal Order of Police supports Senate bill 1054. Law enforcement agencies across the nation are experiencing a staffing crisis of sworn law enforcement officers. Idaho is not immune to these staffing issues as most agencies are suffering from the inability to attract new officers to join their ranks.

Many departments are having to fill shifts and duties with overtime staffing. This overtime staffing is not a long term sustainable option for the officer as it can cause “burn out.” Many Idaho departments are in dire need of qualified officers. SB 1054 will help these departments fill these much needed roles that will continue to keep Idaho communities safe.

The re-employment will be voluntary for both the officer and the department. There is no guarantee and will be mutually agreed upon for the best possible outcomes for these departments.

Thank you

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