STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation amends Idaho Codes 18-1508 and 19-2515 to allow a sentence of capital punishment for a person convicted of lewd conduct with a minor, if said minor is under the age of twelve (12) and there are aggravating circumstances. Upon conviction, a jury will make the decision of whether to implement the death penalty. A judge may decide the sentence if a jury is waived by the defendant.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation may cause indeterminate additional expenditure of funds at the state or local level of government. It does not cause a known increase or decrease in revenue for state or local government, therefore the legislation has no known fiscal impact.

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