

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS30802 / S1248

This bill replaces the Sexual Offender Management Board (SOMB). Instead, the Idaho Department of Correction (IDOC) is required to create an advisory panel to do the work of the SOMB. The SOMB does not manage or supervise sexual offenders, rather it sets and oversees standards for treatment providers that serve sexual offenders (e.g., licensed psychiatrists, licensed mental health professionals, polygraphers, etc.). These professionals (except for polygraphers) are already licensed by the Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses. IDOC will continue to set and oversee standards for professionals who provide treatment services to sexual offenders. IDOC will establish an advisory panel to advise IDOC on standards. IDOC is also expressly required to work together with Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections on standards for service providers who work with juveniles. This bill also removes the processing fee for providers. In recent years there has been a shortage of providers. This fee removal decreases the regulatory burden for these professionals.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have negligible impact on an IDOC dedicated fund due to the fee eliminated in this bill bringing in less than \$4,000 a year of potential revenue for IDOC.

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