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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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As a result of the 2023 enactment of Title 19, Chapter 62, Idaho Code, Idaho's judicial officers may now request that public agencies not disclose their "Idaho residential street address and telephone number." This new law seeks to increase the safety of judges and their families by guarding against persons identifying the location of a judge's home. Since the location of a judicial officer's home may also be identified by a legal description contained in the deed to that property, this bill will also protect against public disclosure of such a legal description. Specifically, this proposal sets forth an express definition of a judicial officer's "Idaho residential street address" to include a legal description of real estate containing the location of such address. The addition of this specific definition provides clarity for both the judicial officers seeking to protect against the disclosure of the location of their homes and the public agencies handling requests for records containing information regarding such locations.

FISCAL NOTE

This proposed amendment will have no fiscal impact upon the General Fund, any other state fund, or local governments. The proposed amendment sets forth a specific definition for public agencies handling certain requests for records, and it will cause neither an increase nor decrease in existing or future appropriations or revenues.

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