

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation amends Idaho Code 54-1707 and 54-1708 to increase the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy from five to seven members. The legislation adds a certified pharmacy technician as a voting member and sets the qualifications required to serve in this position. It also adds a pharmacist member to preserve the odd number of Board members for voting purposes. Through state regulatory changes over the last several years, Idaho pharmacy technicians have been empowered to practice at the top of their education and training. Adding a pharmacy technician to the Board of Pharmacy reflects their expanded role in healthcare by providing them with representation on the Board. It also ensures that Board decisions include their expertise and input.

FISCAL NOTE

Travel costs average approximately \$350 per Board member per State Board meeting. The Board of Pharmacy typically holds four in-person meetings per year, bringing the total fiscal impact to approximately \$2,800 annually. This cost will be absorbed into the budget of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy, which currently has a positive cash balance.

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