

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation updates the Idaho Controlled Substances Act to align with recent federal scheduling actions taken by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and corrects spelling, numbering, and other drafting errors that have been perpetuated through prior versions of the Act. It updates Article II by adding illicit substances with no approved medical use to Schedule I, incorporating newly scheduled and other federally controlled substances into Schedules II, III, and IV, and removing outdated or duplicative entries, including unnecessary and cumbersome chemical formulas.

In addition to updating the schedules, the bill amends Article III by revising requirements for controlled substance registrations and access to the prescription drug monitoring program. It also includes technical cleanup revisions to simplify statutory language, eliminate redundancy, and ensure the Act remains accurate, legally consistent, and responsive to evolving public health and law enforcement priorities. These updates provide greater clarity and utility for law enforcement, prosecutors, healthcare providers, and regulatory agencies responsible for the lawful handling, prescribing, and enforcement of controlled substances in the state.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation is expected to have a neutral fiscal impact across all fund sources. No additional costs or revenue changes are anticipated for the state General Fund, dedicated funds, or federal funds.

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