

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The intent of this legislation is to provide consistency, fiscal responsibility, and increase turnout in our primary election process. It seeks to amend several sections of Idaho election code to hold all primary elections, including the presidential primary, on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in May. This aligns the dates of the primary elections and general elections to the same Tuesday in the month exactly six months apart from one another.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the general fund as Idaho currently conducts a presidential caucus at the county level. The estimated cost of conducting a presidential primary election every four years is \$2.5 million every four years if held separately, depending on candidate filing fees assessed.

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