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Memorandum

TO: Idaho Senate Health & Welfare Committee

FROM: Honorable Joe Stear | Mayor
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Adam Wenger | Public Works Director
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RE: DOPL Rule Changes for Water & Wastewater Professionals

DATE: 30 January 2026

Greetings Senate Health & Welfare Committee,

Licensing requirements are notoriously complicated and a source of frustration for the operators within my department. Myself, with input from my staff, and several other municipalities within the Treasure Valley, have provided feedback to the Division of Occupational and Public Licenses throughout the revisions that have led to the proposal as it appears currently. While I cannot speak for everyone involved, the consensus among public works professionals I've engaged with is adamant support for this bill.

I am fortunate to have worked in, and been certified by, multiple states during my career, and the onerous language often found within these rules consistently frustrates and hinders advancement within the operations teams. The proposed changes within this draft are expected to contemporize and simplify the licensing process, permitting the effected operators to advance their knowledge in confidence towards improved service provided to the communities they serve.

On behalf of my staff, and licensed water & wastewater operators throughout the great state of Idaho, I respectfully petition for your approval of the proposed rule revisions currently presented by DOPL.



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