

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Idaho Election Crimes Act would create an “Office of Elections Crimes and Security” within the office of the Idaho Attorney General for the State of Idaho. This office would be tasked with responding to complaints or notifications of Election Code violations, conducting investigations, overseeing a voter fraud hotline, and collaborating with prosecutorial agencies when criminal violations are suspected. The Act would grant the Attorney General's office concurrent jurisdiction in any election crime as well as mandate an annual report to be submitted from the office to the Governor of the State of Idaho, The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

FISCAL NOTE

It is anticipated that this legislation will require the Office of the Attorney General to hire one additional FTE to support the work of the Office of Elections Crime and Security. The Attorney General’s office estimates no additional investigators or prosecutors will be required; however, it is expected that one support staff would be necessary. Estimated cost to the taxpayers is approximately \$60,00 - \$80,000 annually.

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