

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation protects Idahoans and their communities by repealing Chapter 34, Title 37, Idaho Code, relating to the Syringe and Needle Exchange Act. Needle exchanges have demonstrated little evidence they are conduits for substance abuse treatment. Furthermore, there is little evidence that needle exchanges have reduced the number of needle stick injuries in Idaho's communities. Given these were the key arguments for implementing the Syringe and Needle Exchange Act, this chapter is rightly repealed.

FISCAL NOTE

The Idaho needle safer syringe and needle exchange program is entirely supported by federal funds. Repealing this chapter would not place any additional burden, nor return or add any cost from the General Funds.

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