

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 602

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY; AMENDING CHAPTER 3, TITLE 5, IDAHO
2 CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 5-342, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR
3 IMMUNITIES FOR VOLUNTEER MEMBERS OF SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS UNDER
4 CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Chapter 3, Title 5, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
8 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and
9 designated as Section 5-342, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 5-342. IMMUNITY FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS. Any person, while
11 acting as a volunteer member of a search and rescue operation constituted
12 pursuant to section 31-2229, Idaho Code, notwithstanding the fact that such
13 organization may recover costs incurred in the rendering of emergency care
14 or assistance without compensation at the place of an emergency or accident,
15 shall not be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions in good faith
16 if done in the absence of gross negligence.