

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this legislation is to adopt higher standards to fund public art display projects with taxpayer dollars. It will allow the public to be more involved in the decision-making process of taxpayer funded public art displays in their communities.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the state general fund because public art displays are generally funded at the local level.

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1 AN ACT
2 RELATING TO FUNDING OF PUBLIC ART; AMENDING CHAPTER 13, TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE,
3 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-1317, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PRO-
4 VISIONS REGARDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF PUBLIC ART FUNDING.

5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Chapter 13, Title 63, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
7 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
8 ignated as Section 63-1317, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

9 63-1317. PUBLIC ART FUNDING -- AUTHORIZATION. (1) Before any taxing
10 district may appropriate, budget, or commit any property tax revenues for
11 the design, construction, installation, or purchase of public art, the tax-
12 ing district must hold a public hearing, which may be held in conjunction
13 with the taxing district's budget hearing. Following the hearing:

14 (a) If the total cost of the art project is less than ten thousand dol-
15 lars (\$10,000), the governing body of the taxing district may approve
16 the expenditure by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote if the governing
17 body is composed of elected officials.

18 (b) If the total cost of the art project is ten thousand dollars
19 (\$10,000) or more, the expenditure must be approved by a two-thirds
20 (2/3) majority vote of qualified electors of the taxing district at an
21 election held for that purpose on a date authorized pursuant to section
22 34-106(1)(a) or (b), Idaho Code.

23 (2) "Public art" means any work of visual art, including but not limited
24 to a drawing, painting, mural, fresco, sculpture, mosaic, photograph, work
25 of calligraphy, work of graphic art, etching, lithograph, offset print, silk
26 screen, crafts in clay, textile, fiber, wood, metal, plastic, or glass, or
27 mixed media, including a collage, assemblage, or any combination of art me-
28 dia, that is paid for by public tax dollars and is on display for the enjoy-
29 ment of the general public.