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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 222

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-1001, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 33-1002, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AMOUNTS NEEDED FOR STATE SUPPORT OF THE MASTER TEACHER PRE-MIUMS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE AND TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO STAFF ALLOWANCE AND TO PROVIDE CORRECT CODE REFERENCES; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE EX-PERIENCE AND EDUCATION MULTIPLIER, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE AVERAGE MULTIPLIER FOR INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, TO PROVIDE THAT ON A CERTAIN DATE PUPIL SERVICE STAFF SHALL BE DEEMED INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMEND-ING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1004B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR A CAREER LADDER FOR INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, TO PROVIDE ALLOCATION AMOUNTS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PLACEMENT ON THE CAREER LADDER, TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL EDUCATION ALLOCATION AMOUNTS AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF CERTAIN EVALUATIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1004B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR A CA-REER LADDER FOR INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, TO PROVIDE ALLOCATION AMOUNTS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PLACEMENT ON THE CAREER LADDER, TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL EDUCATION ALLOCATION AMOUNTS AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF CERTAIN EVALUATIONS; AMENDING SEC-TION 33-1004C, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE CORRECT CODE REFERENCES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004E, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO EACH DISTRICT'S SALARY-BASED APPOR-TIONMENT FOR INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND CLASSIFIED STAFF, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS RELATING TO DETERMINING EACH DISTRICT'S SALARY-BASED APPORTIONMENT FOR PUPIL SERVICE STAFF, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND TO PROVIDE CORRECT CODE REFERENCES; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004F, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO MASTER TEACHER PREMIUMS AND OBLIGATIONS TO RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SE-CURITY BENEFITS; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1004I, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR MASTER TEACHER PREMIUMS, TO PROVIDE MINIMUM AND ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, TO PROVIDE A MASTER TEACHER PREMIUM AMOUNT AND TERM AND TO GRANT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004J, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN STAFF ARE ELIGIBLE FOR LEADERSHIP PREMIUMS, TO REMOVE A LEADERSHIP PRIORITY, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY FOR LEADERSHIP PREMIUMS AND TO PROVIDE AN EX-CEPTION AND TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1201A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR AN IDAHO PROFESSIONAL ENDORSEMENT AND FOR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN STAFF SHALL AUTOMATICALLY OBTAIN AN IDAHO PROFESSIONAL ENDORSEMENT, TO GRANT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION RULEMAKING AUTHORITY AND TO DEFINE A TERM; AMENDING SECTION 33-515, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN STAFF MAY NOT BE PLACED ON A RENEWABLE CONTRACT STATUS AND TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE; PROVIDING A SUNSET DATE AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 33-1001, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 33-1001. DEFINITIONS. The following words and phrases used in this chapter are defined as follows:
- (1) "Administrative schools" means and applies to all elementary schools and kindergartens within a district that are situated ten (10) miles or less from both the other elementary schools and the principal administrative office of the district and all secondary schools within a district that are situated fifteen (15) miles or less from other secondary schools of the district.
- (2) "Administrative staff" means those who hold an administrator certificate and are employed as a superintendent, an elementary or secondary school principal, or are assigned administrative duties over and above those commonly assigned to teachers.
- (3) "Average daily attendance" or "pupils in average daily attendance" means the aggregate number of days enrolled students are present, divided by the number of days of school in the reporting period; provided, however, that students for whom no Idaho school district is a home district shall not be considered in such computation.
- (4) "Career ladder" means the compensation table used for determining the allocations districts receive for instructional staff based on specific performance criteria and is made up of a residency compensation rung and a professional compensation rung.
- (5) "Compensation rung" means the rung on the career ladder that corresponds with the compensation level performance criteria.
- (36) "Elementary grades" or "elementary average daily attendance" means and applies to students enrolled in grades one (1) through six (6) inclusive, or any combination thereof.
- (47) "Elementary schools" are schools that serve grades one (1) through six (6) inclusive, or any combination thereof.
- (58) "Elementary/secondary schools" are schools that serve grades one (1) through twelve (12) inclusive, or any combination thereof.
- $(\underline{69})$ "Homebound student" means any student who would normally and regularly attend school, but is confined to home or hospital because of an illness or accident for a period of ten (10) or more consecutive days.
- $\underline{\text{(10)}}$ "Instructional staff" means those involved in the direct instruction of a student or group of students and who hold an Idaho certificate issued under section 33-1201, Idaho Code.
- (711) "Kindergarten" or "kindergarten average daily attendance" means and applies to all students enrolled in a school year, less than school year, or summer kindergarten program.
- (12) "Measurable student achievement" means the measurement of student academic achievement or growth within a given interval of instruction. As-

sessment tools that may be used for measuring student achievement and growth
include:

- (a) Idaho standards achievement test;
- (b) Student learning objectives;
- (c) Formative assessments;
- (d) Teacher-constructed assessments of student growth;
- (e) Pre- and post-tests;

- (f) Performance based assessments;
- (g) Idaho reading indicator;
- (h) College entrance exams such as PSAT, SAT and ACT;
- (i) District adopted assessment;
- (j) End of course exams;
- (k) Advance placement exams; and
- (1) Professional-technical exams.
- (13) "Performance criteria" means the standards specified for instructional staff to demonstrate teaching proficiency for a given compensation rung.
 - (14) "Professional compensation rung performance criteria" means:
 - (a) An overall rating of proficient and no components rated as unsatisfactory on the state framework for teaching evaluation; and
 - (b) Demonstrating the majority of their students have met their measurable student achievement targets.
- (\$15) "Public school district" or "school district" or "district" means any public school district organized under the laws of this state, including specially chartered school districts.
- (16) "Pupil service staff" means those who provide services to students but are not involved in direct instruction of those students, including staff holding a pupil personnel services certificate.
- (917) "Secondary grades" or "secondary average daily attendance" means and applies to students enrolled in grades seven (7) through twelve (12) inclusive, or any combination thereof.
- (108) "Secondary schools" are schools that serve grades seven (7) through twelve (12) inclusive, or any combination thereof.
- (1 ± 9) "Separate elementary school" means an elementary school which measured from itself, traveling on an all-weather road, is situated located more than ten (10) miles distance on an all-weather road from both the nearest elementary school and elementary/secondary school serving like grades within the same school district and from the location of the office of the superintendent of schools of such district, or from the office of the chief administrative officer of such district if the district employs no superintendent of schools.
- (± 20) "Separate kindergarten" means a kindergarten which measured from itself, traveling on an all-weather road, is situated located more than ten (10) miles distance on an all-weather road from both the nearest kindergarten school within the same school district and from the location of the office of the superintendent of schools of such district, or from the office of the chief administrative officer of such district if the district employs no superintendent of schools.
- $(\underline{2}13)$ "Separate secondary school" means any secondary school which is located more than fifteen (15) miles by on an all-weather road from any other

secondary school and elementary/secondary school serving like grades operated by the district.

- (1422) "Support program" means the educational support program as described in section 33-1002, Idaho Code, the transportation support program described in section 33-1006, Idaho Code, and the exceptional education support program as provided described in section 33-1007, Idaho Code.
- (1523) "Support unit" means a function of average daily attendance used in the calculations to determine financial support provided the public school districts.
- (1624) "Teacher" means any person employed in a teaching, instructional, supervisory, educational administrative or educational and scientific capacity in any school district. In case of doubt the state board of education shall determine whether any person employed requires certification as a teacher.
- SECTION 2. That Section 33-1002, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 33-1002. EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM. The educational support program is calculated as follows:
- (1) State Educational Support Funds. Add the state appropriation, including the moneys available in the public school income fund, together with all miscellaneous revenues to determine the total state funds.
- (2) From the total state funds subtract the following amounts needed for state support of special programs provided by a school district:
 - (a) Pupil tuition-equivalency allowances as provided in section 33-1002B, Idaho Code;
 - (b) Transportation support program as provided in section 33-1006, Idaho Code;
 - (c) Feasibility studies allowance as provided in section 33-1007A, Idaho Code;
 - (d) The approved costs for border district allowance, provided in section 33-1403, Idaho Code, as determined by the state superintendent of public instruction;
 - (e) The approved costs for exceptional child approved contract allowance, provided in subsection 2. of section 33-2004, Idaho Code, as determined by the state superintendent of public instruction;
 - (f) Certain expectant and delivered mothers allowance as provided in section 33-2006, Idaho Code;
 - (g) Salary-based apportionment calculated as provided in sections 33-1004 through 33-1004F, Idaho Code;
 - (h) Unemployment insurance benefit payments according to the provisions of section 72-1349A, Idaho Code;
 - (i) For expenditure as provided by the public school technology program;
 - (j) For employee severance payments as provided in section 33-521, Idaho Code;
 - (k) For distributions to the Idaho digital learning academy as provided in section 33-1020, Idaho Code;
 - (1) For charter school facilities funds and reimbursements paid pursuant to section 33-5208(5), Idaho Code;

- (m) For an online course portal as provided for in section 33-1024, Idaho Code;
- (n) For advanced opportunities as provided for in section 33-1626, Idaho Code;
- (o) For the "8 in 6 Program" as provided for in section 33-1628, Idaho Code;
- (p) For additional math and science courses for high school students as provided in section 33-1021, Idaho Code;
- (q) For leadership premiums as provided in section 33-1004J, Idaho Code;
- (r) For master teacher premiums as provided in section 33-1004I, Idaho Code;
- $\underline{\text{(s)}}$ For the support of provisions that provide a safe environment conducive to student learning and maintain classroom discipline, an allocation of \$300 per support unit; and
- (\underline{st}) Any additional amounts as required by statute to effect administrative adjustments or as specifically required by the provisions of any bill of appropriation;

to secure the total educational support distribution funds.

- (3) Average Daily Attendance. The total state average daily attendance shall be the sum of the average daily attendance of all of the school districts of the state. The state board of education shall establish rules setting forth the procedure to determine average daily attendance and the time for, and method of, submission of such report. Average daily attendance calculation shall be carried out to the nearest hundredth. Computation of average daily attendance shall also be governed by the provisions of section 33-1003A, Idaho Code.
- (4) Support Units. The total state support units shall be determined by using the tables set out hereafter called computation of kindergarten support units, computation of elementary support units, computation of secondary support units, computation of exceptional education support units, and computation of alternative school secondary support units. The sum of all of the total support units of all school districts of the state shall be the total state support units.

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27	COMPUTATION OF SECONDARY SUPPORT UNITS						
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12	COMPUTATION OF ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL SECONDARY SUPPORT UNITS						
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In applying these tables to any given separate attendance unit, no school district shall receive less total money than it would receive if it had a lesser average daily attendance in such separate attendance unit. In applying the kindergarten table to a kindergarten program of less days than a full school year, the support unit allowance shall be in ratio to the number of days of a full school year. The attendance of students attending an alternative secondary school in a school district reporting less than one hundred (100) secondary students in average daily attendance shall not be assigned to the alternative secondary table if the student is from a school district reporting less than one hundred (100) secondary students in average daily attendance, but shall instead be assigned to the secondary table of the school district in which they are attending the alternative secondary school, unless the alternative secondary school in question serves students from multiple districts reporting less than one hundred (100) secondary students in average daily attendance. The tables for exceptional education and alternative school secondary support units shall be applicable only for programs approved by the state department of education following rules established by the state board of education. Moneys generated from computation of support units for alternative schools shall be utilized for alternative school programs. School district administrative and facility costs may be included as part of the alternative school expenditures.

(5) State Distribution Factor per Support Unit. Divide educational support program distribution funds, after subtracting the amounts necessary to pay the obligations specified in subsection (2) of this section, by the total state support units to secure the state distribution factor per support unit.

(6) District Support Units. The number of support units for each school district in the state shall be determined as follows:

- a) (i) Divide the actual average daily attendance, excluding students approved for inclusion in the exceptional child educational program, for the administrative schools and each of the separate schools and attendance units by the appropriate divisor from the tables of support units in this section, then add the quotients to obtain the district's support units allowance for regular students, kindergarten through grade 12 including alternative school secondary students. Calculations in application of this subsection shall be carried out to the nearest hundredth.
 - (ii) Divide the combined totals of the average daily attendance of all preschool, kindergarten, elementary, secondary, juvenile detention center students and students with disabilities approved for inclusion in the exceptional child program of the district by the appropriate divisor from the table for computation of exceptional education support units to obtain the number of support units allowed for the district's approved exceptional child program. Calculations for this subsection shall be carried out to the nearest hundredth when more than one (1) unit is allowed.
 - (iii) The total number of support units of the district shall be the sum of the total support units for regular students, subsection (6) paragraph (a) (i) of this subsection, and the support units allowance for the approved exceptional child program, subsection (6) paragraph (a) (ii) of this subsection.
- (b) Total District Allowance Educational Program. Multiply the district's total number of support units, carried out to the nearest hundredth, by the state distribution factor per support unit and to this product add the approved amount of programs of the district provided in subsection (2) of this section to secure the district's total allowance for the educational support program.
- (c) District Share. The district's share of state apportionment is the amount of the total district allowance, subsection (6) paragraph (b) of this subsection.
- (d) $\overline{\text{Adj}}$ ustment of District Share. The contract salary of every non-certificated teacher shall be subtracted from the district's share as calculated from the provisions of subsection (6) paragraph (c) of this subsection.
- (7) Property Tax Computation Ratio. In order to receive state funds pursuant to this section a charter district shall utilize a school maintenance and operation property tax computation ratio for the purpose of calculating its maintenance and operation levy, that is no greater than that which it utilized in tax year 1994, less four-tenths of one percent (.4%). As used herein, the term "property tax computation ratio" shall mean a ratio determined by dividing the district's certified property tax maintenance and operation budget by the actual or adjusted market value for assessment purposes as such values existed on December 31, 1993. Such maintenance and operation levy shall be based on the property tax computation ratio multiplied by the actual or adjusted market value for assessment purposes as such values existed on December 31 of the prior calendar year.

SECTION 3. That Section 33-1004, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 33-1004. STAFF ALLOWANCE. For each school district, a staff allowance shall be determined as follows:
- (1) Using the daily attendance reports that have been submitted for computing the February 15 apportionment of state funds as provided in section 33-1009, Idaho Code, determine calculate the total support units for the district in the manner provided in section 33-1002(6)(a), Idaho Code;
- (2) Determine the instructional staff allowance by multiplying the support units by $1.1\underline{021}$. A district must demonstrate that it actually employs the number of certificated instructional staff allowed, except as provided in subsection ($5\underline{6}$) (f) and (g) of this section. If the district does not employ the number allowed, the staff allowance shall be reduced to the actual number employed, except as provided in subsection ($5\underline{6}$) (f) and (g) of this section;
- (3) Determine the pupil service staff allowance by multiplying the support units by 0.079;
- $\underline{\text{(4)}}$ Determine the administrative staff allowance by multiplying the support units by .075;
- (45) Determine the classified staff allowance by multiplying the support units by .375;
 - (56) Additional conditions governing staff allowance:
 - (a) In determining the number of staff in subsections (2), (3) and, (4) and (5) of this section, a district may contract separately for services to be rendered by nondistrict employees and such employees may be counted in the staff allowance. A "nondistrict employee" means a person for whom the school district does not pay the employer's obligations for employee benefits. When a district contracts for the services of a nondistrict employee, only the salary portion of the contract shall be allowable for computations.
 - (b) If there are circumstances preventing eligible use of staff allowance to which a district is entitled as provided in subsections (2) $\frac{\text{and}}{\text{o}}$ (3) $\frac{\text{and}}{\text{o}}$ of this section, an appeal may be filed with the state department of education outlining the reasons and proposed alternative use of these funds, and a waiver may be granted.
 - (c) For any district with less than forty (40) support units:
 - (i) The instructional staff allowance shall be calculated applying the actual number of support units. If the actual instructional staff employed in the school year is greater than the instructional staff allowance, then the instructional staff allowance shall be increased by one-half (1/2) staff allowance; and (ii) The administrative staff allowance shall be calculated applying the actual number of support units. If the actual administrative staff employed in the school year is greater than the administrative staff allowance, then the administrative staff allowance shall be increased by one-half (1/2) staff allowance. (iii) Additionally, for any district with less than twenty (20)
 - (iii) Additionally, for any district with less than twenty (20) support units, the instructional staff allowance shall be calculated applying the actual number of support units. If the number

of instructional staff employed in the school year is greater than the instructional staff allowance, the staff allowance shall be increased as provided in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph, and by an additional one-half (1/2) instructional staff allowance.

- (d) For any school district with one (1) or more separate secondary schools serving grades nine (9) through twelve (12), the instructional staff allowance shall be increased by two (2) additional instructional staff allowances for each such separate secondary school.
- (e) Only instructional, <u>pupil service and</u> administrative <u>staff</u> and classified personnel compensated by the school district from the general maintenance and operation fund of the district shall be included in the calculation of staff allowance or in any other calculations based upon staff, including determination of the experience and education multiplier, the reporting requirements, or the district's salary-based apportionment calculation. No food service staff or transportation staff shall be included in the staff allowance.
- (f) A district may utilize up to fifteen percent (15%) of the moneys associated with positions funded pursuant to subsection (2) of this section to pay another school district or public charter school for instructional services or to defray the cost of providing virtual education coursework, including virtual dual credit coursework, without a reduction in the number of funded positions being imposed.
- (g) A district may employ nine and one-half percent (9.5%) fewer positions than funded pursuant to subsections (2) and (3) of this section, without a reduction in the number of funded positions being imposed. Beginning in fiscal year 2016, this figure shall be reduced by one percent (1%) each year for each school district in which the average class size, as determined from prior fiscal year data reported to the state department of education, was at least one (1) student greater than the statewide average class size. The state department of education shall report to the legislature every February, beginning in 2015, on the reductions scheduled to take place in this figure, by school district, in the ensuing fiscal year.
- (67) In the event that the staff allowance in any category is insufficient to meet accreditation standards, a district may appeal to the state board of education, demonstrating the insufficiency, and the state board may grant a waiver authorizing sufficient additional staff to be included within the staff allowance to meet accreditation standards. Such a waiver shall be limited to one (1) year, but may be renewed upon showing of continuing justification.
- (78) A district may utilize a portion of the instructional staff allowance provided for in this section for kindergarten teachers to visit the parents or guardians of students during the first week of the kindergarten school year. Such visits may take place at school, at the student's home or at another location agreed to by the teacher and parents or guardians. The purpose of such visits is to help strengthen the working relationship between the teacher, the parents or guardians, and the student. The visits should be used as an opportunity to help establish the teacher's expectations of the student. The visit should also provide an opportunity for the

- parents or guardians to explain their expectations. The amount of moneys to be expended for such visits by the district may not exceed the amount equal to one (1) week of instructional staff allowance computed for kindergarten instructors in the district.
- 5 SECTION 4. That Section 33-1004A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 33-1004A. EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION MULTIPLIER. (1) Each 8 instructional pupil service and administrative staff position shall be 9 assigned an appropriate multiplier based upon the following table:

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- $\underline{(2)}$ In determining the experience factor, the actual years of certificated service for pupil service staff, or teaching $\underline{\bullet r}$ and administrative service \underline{for} administrator certificate holders in a public school, in an accredited private or parochial school, or beginning in the 2005-06 school year and thereafter in an accredited college or university shall be credited.
- (3) In determining the education factor, only credits earned after initial certification, based upon a transcript on file with the teacher certification office of the state department of education, earned at an institution of higher education accredited by a body recognized by the state board of education or a regional accrediting association, shall be allowed; however, successful completion of a state approved evaluation training and proof of proficiency shall be counted as up to three (3) transcripted credits for determination of the education factor and meeting recertification requirements. Instructional staff whose initial certificate is an occupational specialist certificate shall be treated as BA degree prepared instructional staff. Credits earned by such occupational specialist instructional staff after initial certification shall be credited toward the education factor.

In determining the statewide average multiplier for instructional staff, no multiplier in excess of 1.59092 shall be used. If the actual statewide average multiplier for instructional staff, as determined by this section, exceeds 1.59092, then each school district's instructional staff multiplier shall be multiplied by the result of 1.59092 divided by the actual statewide average multiplier for instructional staff.

(4) In determining the statewide average multiplier for administrative staff, no multiplier in excess of 1.86643 shall be used. If the actual statewide average multiplier for administrative staff, as determined by this section, exceeds 1.86643, then each school district's administrative staff multiplier shall be multiplied by the result of 1.86643 divided by the actual statewide average multiplier for administrative staff.

- (5) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, on and after July 1, 2016, pupil service staff shall be deemed instructional staff for purposes of section 33-1004B, Idaho Code.
- SECTION 5. That Chapter 10, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:
- 33-1004B. CAREER LADDER. (1) Effective July 1, 2015, all existing instructional staff shall be placed in a cohort on the career ladder starting with the second cell on the residency/professional compensation rung that corresponds with the next higher allocation amount than is currently received by the district, based on the experience and education index pursuant to section 33-1004A, Idaho Code, as applied in fiscal year 2015. For each year between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2019, those instructional staff will move one (1) cell on the career ladder for each year they are employed by a district and meet the applicable performance criteria for the compensation rung and implementation year.
 - (a) Instructional staff who are in their first year of holding a certificate shall be placed in the first cell of the residency compensation rung and shall move one (1) cell on the residency compensation rung for each year they hold a certificate thereafter, for up to three (3) years, at which point they will remain in the third cell of the residency rung until they earn a professional endorsement.
 - (b) Instructional staff new to teaching in Idaho who hold a certificate from a state other than Idaho and who are approved to teach in Idaho will be placed into the cohort of instructional staff on the career ladder table equivalent to their experience and education pursuant to section 33-1004A, Idaho Code, as applied in fiscal year 2015.
 - (c) In addition to the allocation amount specified for the applicable cell on the career ladder, school districts shall receive an additional allocation amount for instructional staff holding a professional endorsement who have acquired additional education and meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria. In determining the additional education allocation amount, only credits and degrees earned based upon a transcript on file with the teacher certification office of the state department of education, earned at an institution of higher education accredited by a body recognized by the state board of education or credits earned through an internship or other work experience approved by the state board of education, shall be credited toward the education allocation. Education allocation amounts are not cumulative. Instructional staff whose initial certificate is an occupational specialist certificate shall be treated as BA degree prepared instructional staff. Credits earned by such occupational specialist

instructional staff after initial certification shall be credited toward the education allocation. Additional allocations are:

- (i) Effective July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, the education allocation shall be:
 - 1. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a baccalaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, four hundred dollars (\$400) per fiscal year.
 - 2. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, seven hundred dollars (\$700) per fiscal year.
- (ii) Effective July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, the education allocation shall be:
 - 1. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a baccalaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, eight hundred dollars (\$800) per fiscal year.
 - 2. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400) per fiscal year.
- (iii) Effective July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, the education allocation shall be:
 - 1. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a baccalaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per fiscal year.
 - 2. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100) per fiscal year.
- (iv) Effective July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, the education allocation shall be:
 - 1. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a baccalaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, one thousand six hundred dollars (\$1,600) per fiscal year.
 - 2. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2,800) per fiscal year.
- (v) Effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, the education allocation shall be:
 - 1. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a baccalaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per fiscal year.
 - 2. For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, three thousand five hundred (\$3,500) per fiscal year.

1 (d) Effective July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, the allocation shall be:

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4	Residency/										
5	Professional	\$33,400	\$34,250	\$35,117							
6	Professional	\$37 , 249	\$38,758	\$39,546	\$41,113	\$41,961	\$43,591	\$44,503	\$46,201	\$47 , 183	\$48,202

1 (f) Effective July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, the allocation shall be:

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- (a) Instructional staff in their first year of holding a professional endorsement shall be placed in the first cell of the professional compensation rung.
- (b) Instructional staff previously placed within a cohort shall continue to move one (1) cell on the applicable rung with their cohort unless they have failed to meet the compensation rung performance criteria for the previous three (3) years. Allocations to districts for instructional staff who have failed to meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria for the previous three (3) years shall be the same as the previous fiscal year. This also applies to the educational allocation.

1 (c) Effective July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, the allocation shall be:

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- (a) Instructional staff in their first year of holding a professional endorsement shall be placed in the first cell of the professional compensation rung.
- (b) Instructional staff previously placed within a cohort shall continue to move one (1) cell on the applicable rung with their cohort unless they have failed to meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria for three (3) of the previous four (4) years. Allocations to districts for instructional staff who have failed to meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria for three (3) of the previous four (4) years shall be the same as the previous fiscal year. This also applies to the educational allocation.

1 (c) Effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, the allocation shall be:

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4 Residency \$37,000 \$38,000 \$39,000

5 Professional \$42,500 \$44,375 \$46,250 \$48,125 \$50,000

(4) An independent review of instructional staff evaluations shall be conducted annually by persons appointed by the deans of the colleges of education in Idaho's colleges and universities. The state department of education shall randomly select instructional staff employees from each position on the career ladder throughout the state whose evaluations shall be independently reviewed. As part of the review process, the appointees shall conduct classroom observations and interviews with the instructional staff employees selected and review such employees' individualized professional learning plans to determine if evaluations were conducted with fidelity to the state framework for teaching evaluation. The state board of education shall promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this subsection.

- SECTION 6. That Chapter 10, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:
- 33-1004B. CAREER LADDER. School districts shall receive an allocation for instructional staff based on their instructional staffs' position on the career ladder as follows:
- (1) Instructional staff who are in their first year of holding a certificate shall be placed in the first cell of the residency compensation rung and shall move one (1) cell on the residency compensation rung for each year they hold a certificate thereafter for up to three (3) years, at which point they will remain in the third cell of the residency rung until they earn a professional endorsement.
- (2) Instructional staff in their first year of holding a professional endorsement shall be placed in the first cell of the professional compensation rung.
- (3) Instructional staff on the professional compensation rung with four (4) years of experience shall move one (1) cell on the professional compensation rung unless they have failed to meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria for three (3) of the previous four (4) years. Instructional staff on the professional compensation rung who meet the performance criteria for three (3) of the previous five (5) years, one (1) of which must be during the fourth or fifth year, shall move one (1) cell. Allocations for instructional staff who do not meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria for three (3) of the previous five (5) years, one (1) of which must be during the fourth or fifth year, shall remain at the previous fiscal year allocation level. This also applies to the educational allocation.
- (4) In addition to the allocation amount specified for the applicable cell on the career ladder, school districts shall receive an additional allocation amount for instructional staff holding a professional endorsement who have acquired additional education and meet the professional compensation rung performance criteria. In determining the additional education allocation amount, only transcripted credits and degrees on file with the teacher certification office of the state department of education, earned at an institution of higher education accredited by a body recognized by the state board of education or credits earned through an internship or work experience approved by the state board of education, shall be allowed. All credits and degrees earned must be in a relevant pedagogy or content area

as determined by the state department of education. Additional education allocation amounts are not cumulative. Instructional staff whose initial certificate is an occupational specialist certificate shall be treated as BA degree prepared instructional staff. Credits earned by such occupational specialist instructional staff after initial certification shall be credited toward the education allocation. Additional allocations are:

- (a) For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement, a bac-calaureate degree and twenty-four (24) or more credits, two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per fiscal year.
- (b) For instructional staff holding a professional endorsement and a master degree, three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per fiscal year.

1 (c) Effective July 1, 2020, the allocation shall be:

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4 Residency \$37,000 \$38,000 \$39,000

5 Professional \$42,500 \$44,375 \$46,250 \$48,125 \$50,000

(5) An independent review of instructional staff evaluations shall be conducted annually by persons appointed by the deans of the colleges of education in Idaho's colleges and universities. The state department of education shall randomly select instructional staff employees from each position on the career ladder throughout the state whose evaluations shall be independently reviewed. As part of the review process, the appointees shall conduct classroom observations and interviews with the instructional staff employees selected and review such employees' individualized professional learning plans to determine if evaluations were conducted with fidelity to the state framework for teaching evaluation. The state board of education shall promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 7. That Section 33-1004C, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

33-1004C. BASE AND MINIMUM SALARIES -- LEADERSHIP PREMIUMS -- EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE INDEX. (1) The following shall be reviewed annually by the legislature:

- (a) The base salary figures pursuant to subsections (1-), (2-), and (3-) and (4) of section 33-1004E, Idaho Code;
- (b) The minimum instructional salary figure pursuant to subsection $(1\div)$ of section 33-1004E, Idaho Code; and
- (c) The leadership premium figures pursuant to subsections (1) and (2) of section 33-1004J, Idaho Code.
- (2) The statewide education and experience index (or state average index, or state index) is the average of all qualifying employees, instructional and administrative respectively. It is determined by totaling the index value for all qualifying employees and dividing by the number of employees.

SECTION 8. That Section 33-1004E, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

33-1004E. DISTRICT'S SALARY-BASED APPORTIONMENT. Each district shall be entitled to a salary-based apportionment calculated as provided in this section.

(1-) To determine the apportionment for instructional staff, first determine the district average experience and education index by placing all eligible district certificated instructional employees on the statewide index provided in section 33-1004A, take the amounts indicated on the career ladder table plus the amounts associated with the additional education allocation amounts pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and calculate the weighted average. The resulting average is the district index. Districts with an index above the state average index shall receive their actual index but not more than the state average plus .03 for the 1994-95 school year, and shall receive their actual index but not more than the state average plus .06 for the 1995-96 school year, and thereafter shall receive their actual district index. The district instructional staff index shall be multiplied by the instructional base salary of \$23,354. The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for instructional staff determined as provided in section 33-1004(2), Idaho Code. The instructional

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salary allocation shall be further increased by the amount necessary for each full-time equivalent instructional staff member placed on the experience and education index to be allocated at least the minimum salary mandated by this section. Full-time instructional staff salaries shall be determined from a salary schedule developed by each district and submitted to the state department of education. No full-time instructional staff member shall be paid less than \$31,750 the minimum dollar amount on the career ladder residency compensation rung pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, for the applicable fiscal year. If an instructional staff member has been certified by the national board for professional teaching standards between July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2015, the staff member shall be designated as a master teacher and receive two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per year for five (5) years from the year in which national board certification was earned. The district instructional salary staff allotment shall be increased by two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for each master teacher provided however, that no such awards shall be paid for the period July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, nor shall any liabilities accrue or payments be made pursuant to this section in the future to any individuals who would have otherwise qualified for a payment during this stated time period national board certified instructional staff person who earned national board certification between July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2015. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for instructional staff. For purposes of this section, teachers qualifying for the salary increase as master teacher shall be those who have been recognized as national board certified teachers as of July 1 of each year.

- (2-) To determine the apportionment for pupil service staff, first determine the district average experience and education index by placing all eligible district certificated pupil service employees on the statewide index pursuant to section 33-1004A, Idaho Code. The resulting average is the district index. The district pupil service staff index shall be multiplied by the instructional base salary of twenty-three thousand three hundred fifty-four dollars (\$23,354). The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for pupil service staff determined pursuant to section 33-1004(3), Idaho Code. The pupil service staff salary allocation shall be further increased by the amount necessary for each full-time equivalent pupil service staff member placed on the experience and education index to be allocated at least the minimum salary mandated by this section. Full-time pupil service staff salaries shall be determined from a salary schedule developed by each district and submitted to the state department of education. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for pupil service staff. No full-time pupil service staff member shall be paid less than thirty-one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$31,750).
- (3) To determine the apportionment for district administrative staff, first determine the district average experience and education index by placing all eligible certificated administrative employees on the statewide index provided in section 33-1004A, Idaho Code. The resulting average is the district index. Districts with an index above the state average index shall receive their actual index but not more than the state average plus .03 for the school year 1994-95, and shall receive their actual index but not more than the state average index plus .06 for the 1995-96 school year, and

thereafter shall receive their actual district index. The district administrative staff index shall be multiplied by the base salary of thirty-two thousand one hundred fifty-one dollars (\$32,151). The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for administrative staff determined as provided in section $33-1004(\frac{34}{2})$, Idaho Code. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for administrative staff.

- $\frac{3\cdot(4)}{\text{nineteen thousand two hundred forty-nine dollars ($19,249)}}$ by the district classified staff allowance determined as provided in section 33-1004(45), Idaho Code. The amount so determined is the district's apportionment for classified staff.
- $4 \cdot (5)$ The district's salary-based apportionment shall be the sum of the apportionments calculated in subsections $(1 \cdot)$, $(2 \cdot)$, and $(3 \cdot r)$ and (4) of this section, plus the benefit apportionment as provided in section 33-1004F, Idaho Code.
- SECTION 9. That Section 33-1004F, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 33-1004F. OBLIGATIONS TO RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS. Based upon the actual salary-based apportionment, as determined in section 33-1004E, Idaho Code, the master teacher premiums distributed pursuant to section 33-1004I, Idaho Code, and the leadership premiums distributed pursuant to section 33-1004J, Idaho Code, there shall be allocated that amount required to meet the employer's obligations to the public employee retirement system and to social security.
- SECTION 10. That Chapter 10, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 33-1004I, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:
- 33-1004I. MASTER TEACHER PREMIUMS. (1) A portion of the moneys available to the education support program shall be distributed per full-time equivalent instructional staff position employed by each school district. Such moneys shall be paid to instructional staff employees who have earned a master teacher designation by meeting the minimum qualifications set forth in subsection (2) of this section and the additional qualifications developed or adopted by the employing school district pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, in an amount set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (2) The minimum qualifications for an instructional staff employee to earn a master teacher designation shall be as follows:
 - (a) The instructional staff employee must have eight (8) or more years of continuous teaching; and
 - (b) The instructional staff employee must have demonstrated mastery in each of the following areas for not less than three (3) of the previous five (5) years of instruction:
 - (i) Student achievement data;
 - (ii) Proven mastery of instructional techniques through additional artifacts demonstrating evidence of effective teaching; and

- (iii) Successful completion of an annual individualized professional learning plan.
- (3) In addition to the minimum qualifications for a master teacher designation set forth in subsection (2) of this section:

- (a) Local school districts may develop and require additional qualifications showing demonstrated mastery of instructional techniques and professional practice through multiple measures, provided that such qualifications shall first be approved by the state board of education; or
- (b) If a local school district has not developed qualifications pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection, then the school district shall adopt and require additional qualifications showing demonstrated mastery of instructional techniques and professional practice through multiple measures as developed by a committee facilitated by the state board of education consisting of teachers, administrators and other stakeholders, which measures shall be approved by the state board of education.
- (4) The amount of the master teacher premium paid to a qualified instructional staff employee shall be four thousand dollars (\$4,000) each year for three (3) years starting with the initial award of the master teacher premium. After the third year of receiving the master teacher premium, the instructional staff employee must continue to demonstrate that he or she meets the master teacher premium qualifications in each subsequent year. If the qualifications are not met, then the premium will be discontinued until such time as the qualifications are met.
- (5) Local school district boards of trustees may provide master teacher premiums to instructional staff employees consistent with the provisions of this section. The additional qualifications developed pursuant to subsection (3) (a) of this section shall not be subject to collective bargaining, notwithstanding any other provision of law.
- (6) The state board of education may promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this section.
- SECTION 11. That Section 33-1004J, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 33-1004J. LEADERSHIP PREMIUMS. (1) Of the moneys available to the educational support program, eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850) shall be distributed per full-time equivalent instructional and pupil service staff position employed by each school district. Such moneys shall be paid to instructional and pupil service staff employees for leadership activities as provided in paragraphs (a) through (hg) of this subsection. Such premiums shall be valid only for the fiscal year for which the premiums are made and shall be made for one (1) or more of the following reasons as identified as leadership priorities by the board of trustees:
 - (a) Providing instruction in a subject in which the employee holds a content area master's degree;
 - (b) Teaching a course in which students earn both high school and college credit;
 - (\underline{eb}) Teaching a course to middle school students in which the students earn both middle school and high school credit;

- (\underline{dc}) Holding and providing service in multiple nonadministrative certificate or subject endorsement areas;
- (ed) Serving in an instructional <u>or pupil service</u> position designated as hard to fill by the board of trustees;
- $(\underline{\pm e})$ Providing mentoring, peer assistance or professional development pursuant to section 33-512(17), Idaho Code;
- $(\underline{\mathfrak{g}\underline{f}})$ Having received professional development in career and academic counseling, and then providing career or academic counseling for students, with such services incorporated within or provided in addition to the teacher's regular classroom instructional <u>or pupil service</u> duties;
- (hg) Other leadership duties designated by the board of trustees, exclusive of duties related to student activities or athletics. Such duties shall require that the employee work additional time as a condition of the receipt of a leadership premium.
- (2) Local school district boards of trustees may provide leadership premiums to instructional or pupil service staff employees consistent with the provisions of this section. The decision as to whom and how many receive leadership premiums, and in what amounts, shall not be subject to collective bargaining, any other provision of law notwithstanding. A board may provide multiple leadership premiums to an instructional or pupil service staff employee. However, no such employee shall receive cumulative leadership premiums in excess of twenty-five percent (25%) of the base salary amount designated in section 33-1004E, Idaho Code, nor less than eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850). Instructional staff who have an overall rating of proficient on the state framework for teaching evaluation for the previous fiscal year shall be eligible for leadership premiums, except that instructional staff currently serving in a hard to fill position do not need to have an overall rating of proficient in order to be eligible for leadership premiums.
- (3) The state department of education may require reports of information as needed to implement the provisions of this section. Also, the department shall report, on or before January 15, 2016, and on or before January 15 of each subsequent year, to the governor, the senate education committee and the house of representatives education committee relevant information regarding leadership premiums, including the following:
 - (a) The number of leadership premiums issued, by district;
 - (b) The average dollar amount of leadership premiums issued, by district;
 - (c) The highest and lowest leadership premium issued, by district; and
 - (d) The percent of instructional <u>and pupil service</u> staff positions receiving leadership premiums and the cumulative amount of such premiums, by district; and
 - (e) The reasons identified as leadership priorities by the board of trustees as listed in subsection (1) of this section.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, the term "school district" also means "public charter school," and the term "board of trustees" also means "board of directors."
- (5) The state board of education is hereby authorized to promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

SECTION 12. That Chapter 12, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 33-1201A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

33-1201A. IDAHO PROFESSIONAL ENDORSEMENT -- ELIGIBILITY. (1) Any instructional staff employee who is issued a certificate under section 33-1201, Idaho Code, on or after July 1, 2015, will receive mentoring as outlined in such employee's individualized professional learning plan during the initial three (3) years of holding such certificate. Upon holding a certificate for three (3) years, any such instructional staff employee may apply for an Idaho professional endorsement. To be eligible for an Idaho professional endorsement, the instructional staff employee must:

- (a) Have held a certificate for at least three (3) years, or have completed a state board of education approved interim certificate of three (3) years or longer;
- (b) Show they met the professional compensation rung performance criteria for two (2) of the three (3) previous years or the third year;
- (c) Have a written recommendation from the employing school district; and
- (d) Have an annual individualized professional learning plan developed in conjunction with the employee's school district supervisor.

Instructional staff employees may provide additional evidence demonstrating effective teaching that may be considered in exceptional cases for purposes of determining proficiency and student achievement in the event required standards for professional endorsement are not met.

- (2) An instructional staff employee who has held a certificate for three (3) or more years prior to the effective date of this act shall automatically obtain an Idaho professional endorsement under this section.
- (3) The state board of education shall promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this section.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, "instructional staff" means those involved in the direct instruction of a student or group of students and who hold a certificate issued under section 33-1201, Idaho Code.

SECTION 13. That Section 33-515, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 33-515. ISSUANCE OF RENEWABLE CONTRACTS. (1) During the third full year of continuous employment by the same school district, including any specially chartered district, each certificated employee named in subsection ($\frac{1624}{2}$) of section 33-1001, Idaho Code, and each school nurse and school librarian shall be evaluated for a renewable contract and shall, upon having been offered a contract for the next ensuing year, having given notice of acceptance of renewal and upon signing a contract for a fourth full year, be placed on a renewable contract status with said school district subject to the provisions included in this chapter, provided that instructional staff who have not obtained a professional endorsement under section 33-1201A, Idaho Code, may not be placed on a renewable contract status.
- (2) After the third full year of employment and at least once annually, the performance of each such certificated employee, school nurse, or school librarian shall be evaluated according to criteria and procedures

established by the board of trustees in accordance with general guidelines approved by the state board of education. Except as otherwise provided, that person shall have the right to automatic renewal of contract by giving notice, in writing, of acceptance of renewal. Such notice shall be given to the board of trustees of the school district then employing such person not later than the first day of June preceding the expiration of the term of the current contract. Except as otherwise provided by this paragraph, the board of trustees shall notify each person entitled to be employed on a renewable contract of the requirement that such person must give the notice hereinabove and that failure to do so may be interpreted by the board as a declination of the right to automatic renewal or the offer of another contract. Such notification shall be made, in writing, not later than the fifteenth day of May, in each year, except to those persons to whom the board, prior to said date, has sent proposed contracts for the next ensuing year, or to whom the board has given the notice required by this section.

- (3) Any contract automatically renewed under the provisions of this section shall be for the same length as the term stated in the current contract and at a salary no lower than that specified therein, to which shall be added such increments as may be determined by the statutory or regulatory rights of such employee by reason of training, service, or performance, except where a board of trustees has declared a financial emergency pursuant to section 33-522, Idaho Code.
- (4) Nothing in this section shall prevent the board of trustees from offering a renewed contract increasing the salary of any certificated person, or from reassigning an administrative employee to a nonadministrative position with appropriate reduction of salary from the preexisting salary level. In the event the board of trustees reassigns an administrative employee to a nonadministrative position, the board shall give written notice to the employee which contains a statement of the reasons for the reassignment. The employee, upon written request to the board, shall be entitled to an informal review of that decision. The process and procedure for the informal review shall be determined by the local board of trustees.
- (5) Before a board of trustees can determine not to renew for reasons of an unsatisfactory report of the performance of any certificated person whose contract would otherwise be automatically renewed, or to renew the contract of any such person at a reduced salary, such person shall be entitled to a reasonable period of probation. This period of probation shall be preceded by a written notice from the board of trustees with reasons for such probationary period and with provisions for adequate supervision and evaluation of the person's performance during the probationary period. Such period of probation shall not affect the person's renewable contract status. Consideration of probationary status for certificated personnel is consideration of the status of an employee within the meaning of section 67-2345, Idaho Code, and may be held in executive session. If the consideration results in probationary status, the individual on probation shall not be named in the minutes of the meeting. A record of the decision shall be placed in the teacher's personnel file.
- (6) If the board of trustees takes action to immediately discharge or discharge upon termination of the current contract a certificated person whose contract would otherwise be automatically renewed, or to renew the

contract of any such person at a reduced salary, the action of the board shall be consistent with the procedures specified in section 33-513 5., Idaho Code, and furthermore, the board shall notify the employee in writing whether there is just and reasonable cause not to renew the contract or to reduce the salary of the affected employee, and if so, what reasons it relied upon in that determination.

- (7) If the board of trustees takes action after the declaration of a financial emergency pursuant to section 33-522, Idaho Code, and such action is directed at more than one (1) certificated employee and, if mutually agreed to by both parties, a single informal review shall be conducted. Without mutual consent of both parties, the board of trustees shall use the following procedure to conduct a single due process hearing within sixty-seven (67) days of the declaration of financial emergency pursuant to section 33-522(2), Idaho Code, or on or before June 22, whichever shall occur first:
 - (a) The superintendent or any other duly authorized administrative officer of the school district may recommend the change in the length of the term stated in the current contract or reduce the salary of any certificated employee by filing with the board of trustees written notice specifying the purported reasons for such changes.
 - (b) Upon receipt of such notice, the board of trustees, acting through its duly authorized administrative official, shall give the affected employees written notice of the reductions and the recommendation of the change in the length of the term stated in the current contract or the reduction of salary, along with written notice of a hearing before the board of trustees prior to any determination by the board of trustees.
 - (c) The hearing shall be scheduled to take place not less than six (6) days nor more than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the notice by the employees. The date provided for the hearing may be changed by mutual consent.
 - (d) The hearing shall be open to the public.

- (e) All testimony at the hearing shall be given under oath or affirmation. Any member of the board, or the clerk of the board of trustees, may administer oaths to witnesses or affirmations by witnesses.
- (f) The employees may be represented by legal counsel and/or by a representative of a local or state education association.
- (g) The chairman of the board of trustees or the designee of the chairman shall conduct the hearing.
- (h) The board of trustees shall cause an electronic record of the hearing to be made or shall employ a competent reporter to take stenographic or stenotype notes of all the testimony at the hearing. A transcript of the hearing shall be provided at cost by the board of trustees upon request of the employee.
- (i) At the hearing the superintendent or other duly authorized administrative officer shall present evidence to substantiate the reduction contained in such notice.
- (j) The employees may produce evidence to refute the reduction. Any witness presented by the superintendent or by the employees shall be subject to cross-examination. The board of trustees may also examine witnesses and be represented by counsel.

- (k) The affected employees may file written briefs and arguments with the board of trustees within three (3) days after the close of the hearing or such other time as may be agreed upon by the affected employees and the board of trustees.
- (1) Within seven (7) days following the close of the hearing, the board of trustees shall determine and, acting through its duly authorized administrative official, shall notify the employees in writing whether the evidence presented at the hearing established the need for the action taken.

The due process hearing pursuant to this subsection (7) shall not be required if the board of trustees and the local education association reach an agreement on issues agreed upon pursuant to section 33-522(3), Idaho Code.

- (8) If the board of trustees, for reasons other than unsatisfactory service, for the ensuing contract year, determines to change the length of the term stated in the current contract, reduce the salary or not renew the contract of a certificated person whose contract would otherwise be automatically renewed, nothing herein shall require a probationary period.
- SECTION 14. The provisions of Sections 2, 9 and 10 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2019. The provisions of Section 5 of this act shall be null, void and of no force and effect on and after June 30, 2020. The provisions of Section 6 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2020.