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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 358

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

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2	RELATING TO THE STATE CONTROLLER; AMENDING SECTION 67-1085, IDAHO CODE,
3	TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE REPORTING OF AGREEMENTS; AMEND-
4	ING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION
5	67-1085A, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH STATE AGENCY AGREEMENT REPORTING RE-
6	OUIREMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 67-1085, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-1085. AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY STATE OFFICERS OR STATE AGENCIES -- REPORTING. (1) All state officers and departments, divisions, bureaus, and agencies of the state of Idaho shall report to the state controller any agreement entered into, including any memorandum of agreement or memorandum of understanding, within ten (10) days of the state officer or department, division, bureau, or agency entering into such agreement. The state controller shall store, maintain, and publish a current list of all such agreements, as provided in section 67-1001(20), Idaho Code. Agreements shall be reported pursuant to the provisions of section 67-1085A, Idaho Code.
- (2) Any state officer or department, division, bureau, or agency reporting an agreement pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall also provide a contact person for the agreement.
- (3) The state controller shall have authority to develop a policy in order to carry out the provisions and requirements of this section, including the scope and method of reporting agreements, and shall publish and maintain such policy in the same location where the list of agreements is published. The stated intent of the policy shall be to further improve transparency of state agreements.
- SECTION 2. That Chapter 10, Title 67, 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 67-1085A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:
- 67-1085A. STATE AGENCY AGREEMENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. (1) As used in this section:
  - (a) "Agency" means any state officer, department, division, bureau, or agency of the state of Idaho.
  - (b) "Agreement" includes any legally binding contract, MOU, or MOA entered into by an agency with external entities.
  - (c) "Master agreement" means a contract outlining general terms for a business relationship with specific sub-agreements that are subject to the master agreement's terms.

- (d) "Memorandum of agreement" or "MOA" means a legally binding agreement defining the terms, obligations, and responsibilities of the parties.
- (e) "Memorandum of understanding" or "MOU" means a non-binding agreement outlining a common understanding or objective between two (2) or more parties.
- (f) "Sub-agreement" means a contract subordinate to a master agreement that outlines specific terms or obligations.
- (2) Agencies shall report any executed MOU, MOA, or agreement, including sub-agreements, regardless of fund source, to the state controller within ten (10) business days of execution.
- (3) Reports required pursuant to subsection (2) of this section shall be submitted through the designated state controller reporting portal and must include:
  - (a) A document title;

- (b) The date of execution and end date, if applicable;
- (c) A list of participating entities;
- (d) A brief summary or purpose;
- (e) An agency contact person's name, email, and phone number;
- (f) Any amendments or modifications to the agreement; and
- (g) The monetary value of the agreement, including total contract cost, funding sources, and payment schedule, if applicable.
- (4) Amendments to existing agreements shall not require separate reporting but shall be updated in the original submission, including the date of the last amendment and updated end date if the amendment extended the term of the agreement.
  - (5) (a) The following agreements are exempt from the provisions of this section and are not required to be reported:
    - (i) Employment-related agreements with state employees, excluding settlement agreements;
    - (ii) Routine financial documents such as invoices and purchase orders used in the ordinary course of business;
    - (iii) Student housing and financial aid agreements between institutions and students; and
    - (iv) Template agreements with standard terms used for short-term incidental purposes.
  - (b) Statewide contracts executed by the department of administration, division of purchasing, shall be reported by the department of administration, except that sub-agreements executed by individual agencies shall be reported by the agency executing the sub-agreement.
- (6) Each agency shall annually review, update, and certify the accuracy and completeness of its reported agreements by January 1 of each year. The certification must be signed or acknowledged by the agency head or an authorized representative.
- (7) The state controller shall maintain and publish a centralized publicly accessible list of reported agreements, subject to public records exemptions under chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code. At a minimum, the publicly available information shall include the information required to be reported under subsection (3) of this section. The state controller shall monitor compliance, may provide assistance to agencies, and may report non-compli-

ance to the governor and legislature. The state controller shall have authority to develop and maintain a guidance policy to carry out the provisions and requirements of this section, including the manner of reporting agreements to its reporting portal, and shall publish such policy in the same location where the list of reported agreements is published.

SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2025.