

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25982

This legislation would allow Idaho public school districts, charter districts, and charter schools to only issue a Category 1 Standard Teacher Contract to certified personnel working in the Idaho public schools yet only holding an Interim Teaching Certificate under an Alternative Route. These Category 1 Teacher Contracts would be valid each year during the three year period that the certified personnel employee is working to attain their full certification.

This legislation will place accountability on the individual to diligently pursue the requirement set forth in the Interim Teaching Certificate issued to them and not place school boards in statutorily protected contract disputes when the individual is not making progress towards the requirements necessary to receive a valid five year teaching certificate.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no fiscal impact to the general fund. However, there could be a savings to school districts and charter schools. The estimated cost that a school district or charter school incurs for a hearing is around \$10,000. That includes legal fees, the cost of hearing officer, and a court reporter.

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