

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24906

Amend Section 33-3601, Idaho Code, providing technical corrections updating the reference to the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii to include them in the list of states. When Idaho became a member of the interstate compact Alaska and Hawaii were both territories. The amendment to this section does not change the language within the compacts articles that are incorporated into the statute; rather it adds language that specifies that the reference to the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii are referencing the states of Alaska and Hawaii. During FY16 the Office of the State Board of Education participated in work with Alaska and Hawaii as part of our Federal College Access Challenge Grant, due to the out of date reference there was some question as to whether the State Board of Education was authorized to work with these states as part of the grant. Adding the proposed language will avoid any future questions regarding the collaboration with these states as part of Idaho's participation in the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education.

FISCAL NOTE

There would be no fiscal impact from the proposed legislation. The proposed change only specifies that the references to the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii include the states of Alaska and Hawaii. The proposed amendments will not change any current practices, thereby, result in no fiscal impact.

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