First Regular Session - 2023

## IN THE SENATE

## SENATE BILL NO. 1205

## BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF TEACHERS; APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF TEACHERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; APPROPRIATING GENERAL FUND MONEYS FOR TRANSFER TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL INCOME FUND; DIRECTING THE USE OF MONEYS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT; DEFINING "DISTRIBUTED"; CLARIFYING THE ORIGINAL FUND SOURCE FOR EXPENDITURES FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF TEACHERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; PROVIDING FOR A DISTRIBUTION OF ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR INSTRUCTIONAL AND PUPIL SERVICE STAFF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Public Schools Educational Support Program's Division of Teachers the following amounts to be expended from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024:

17 FROM:

 18
 Public School Income Fund
 \$1,327,904,800

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 Idaho Tax Rebate Fund
 1,200

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 Federal Grant Fund
 11,000,000

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 TOTAL
 \$1,338,906,000

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$997,904,800 from the General Fund to the Public School Income Fund on July 1, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

SECTION 3. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. Of the moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act, \$13,750,000 from the Public School Income Fund shall be distributed for professional development that supports instructors and pupil service staff to increase student learning, mentoring, and collaboration. Professional development efforts should be measurable, provide the instructors and pupil service staff with a clear understanding of their progress, be incorporated into their performance evaluations, and, to the extent possible, be included in the school district or public charter school continuous improvement plans required by Section 33-320, Idaho Code. Funding shall be distributed by a formula prescribed by the State Department of Education, and the State Department of Education shall track usage and effectiveness of professional development efforts at the state and local levels.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION. For the purposes of this act, "distributed" means moneys that are transferred to school districts and public charter schools, with no funds withheld for any other contract or administrative costs.

SECTION 5. Of the amounts appropriated in Section 1 of this act for the Public School Support Program's Division of Teachers, \$1,327,904,800 shall be considered expended from the General Fund for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

SECTION 6. INSTRUCTIONAL AND PUPIL SERVICE STAFF COMPENSATION. In addition to the distribution criteria set forth in Section 33-1004B(9)(e), Idaho Code, an additional \$6,359 shall be allocated to each cell for residential, professional, and advanced professional rungs. These funds must be used for instructional and pupil service compensation. Funding shall be distributed in combination with other career ladder allocations for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. School districts and public charter schools shall report to the State Department of Education on the allocation of these funds for instructional and pupil service compensation. The State Department of Education shall provide a report to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee by January 13, 2024, on the allocations made by school districts and public charter schools. The format of the report and the contents therein shall be determined by the Legislative Services Office Budget and Policy Analysis Division.

SECTION 7. 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, 2023.