STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The State Board of Education is charged with the general supervision and governance of Idaho's public educational institutions, agencies and school system, and sets policy for public schools throughout the state. The Board is comprised of eight members, seven of whom are appointed by the Governor, and the voter-elected Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Office of the State Board of Education implements Board policies, and oversees the public higher education institutions and the Board's executive agencies. Currently, of the seven appointed members, three are from Boise, one from Eagle, and one from Fairfield.

This legislation establishes that five of the seven members of the State Board of Education be elected by the region, establishing equal representation across the state. The Governor will appoint the remaining two members.

FISCAL NOTE

The legislation provides an annual stipend of \$12,000 per board member resulting in a fiscal impact to the general fund of \$84,000. Members will also be compensated for travel and expenses, and this cost is expected to be less than \$10,000 per annum.

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