

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 318

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-1021, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE MATH AND SCIENCE REQUIREMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 33-1021, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

33-1021. MATH AND SCIENCE REQUIREMENT. In order to meet state graduation requirements regarding math and science courses, moneys shall be distributed to school districts to defray the cost of providing additional math and science courses. Moneys so distributed shall be used to hire additional high school math and science teachers or to defray costs associated with providing math and science courses to high school students. Moneys shall be distributed to school districts from the moneys appropriated to the educational support program for each regular high school, not including alternative schools, based on the following criteria:

(1) For each school with enrollment of 99 or less, distribute the equivalent of one and one-quarter (1.25) of a classified staff position.

(2) For each school with enrollment of 100 to 159, distribute the equivalent of ~~one ninth (1/9) of a classified staff position~~ one-half (0.50) of an instructional staff position, based on the statewide average funding per position.

(3) For each school with enrollment of 160 to 319, distribute the equivalent of ~~two sevenths (2/7) of a classified staff position~~ three-quarters (0.75) of an instructional staff position, based on the statewide average funding per position.

(4) For each school with enrollment of 320 to 639, distribute the equivalent of one (1.0) instructional staff position, based on the statewide average funding per position.

(5) For each school with enrollment of 640 or more, distribute the equivalent of one (1.0) instructional staff position, based on the statewide average funding per position, and three-quarters (0.75) of a classified staff position. For the purposes of these school size classifications for regular high schools that serve only grades 10-12, ~~ninth~~ ninth grade 9 students who will attend the regular high school upon matriculating to ~~tenth~~ tenth grade 10 shall be included as enrolled in the regular high school.

SECTION 2. 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.