LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1095

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- 2 RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE
 3 PROVISIONS REGARDING THE CAREER LADDER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND
 4 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 7 amended to read as follows:

8 33-1004B. CAREER LADDER. School districts shall receive an allocation
 9 for instructional staff and pupil service staff based on their staffs' posi 10 tion on the career ladder as follows:

(1) Instructional staff and pupil service staff who are in their first year of holding an Idaho certificate shall be placed in the first cell of the residency compensation rung and shall move one (1) cell on the residency compensation rung for each year they hold an Idaho certificate and are employed in an Idaho public school thereafter for up to three (3) years, at which point they will remain in the third cell of the residency rung until they earn a professional endorsement.

(2) Instructional staff and pupil service staff in their first year of
 holding a professional endorsement shall be placed in the first cell of the
 professional compensation rung.

(3) Instructional staff and pupil service staff on the professional 21 22 compensation rung with four (4) years of experience shall move one (1) cell 23 on the professional compensation rung unless they have failed to meet the 24 professional compensation rung performance criteria for three (3) of the previous four (4) years. Instructional staff and pupil service staff on the 25 professional compensation rung who meet the performance criteria for three 26 (3) of the previous five (5) years, one (1) of which must be during the fourth 27 or fifth year, shall move one (1) cell. Allocations for instructional staff 28 and pupil service staff who do not meet the professional compensation rung 29 performance criteria for three (3) of the previous five (5) years, one (1) of 30 31 which must be during the fourth or fifth year, shall remain at the previous fiscal year allocation level. This also applies to the educational alloca-32 33 tion.

(4) Instructional staff and pupil service staff in their first year of
 holding an advanced professional endorsement shall be placed in the first
 cell of the advanced professional compensation rung.

(5) Instructional staff and pupil service staff on the advanced profes sional compensation rung who met the performance criteria for the advanced
 professional rung in the previous year shall move one (1) cell on the ad vanced professional compensation rung. Allocations for instructional staff
 and pupil service staff who do not meet the advanced professional compensa-

tion rung performance criteria shall remain at the previous fiscal year al-1 2 location level. This also applies to the additional education allocation. (6) Career technical education instructional staff holding an occupa-3 tional specialist certificate shall be placed on the career ladder as fol-4 5 lows: (a) Instructional staff new to working in an Idaho public school: 6 With two (2) or three (3) years of industry experience in a 7 (i) field closely related to the subjects they seek to teach shall be 8 placed in an equivalent cell to instructional staff who have been 9 on the career ladder and met the movement requirements for one (1) 10 year; 11 (ii) With four (4) or five (5) years of industry experience in a 12 field closely related to the subjects they seek to teach shall be 13 placed in an equivalent cell to instructional staff who have been 14 on the career ladder and met the movement requirements for two (2) 15 16 years; (iii) With six (6) or seven (7) years of industry experience in a 17 field closely related to the subjects they seek to teach shall be 18 placed in an equivalent cell to instructional staff who have been 19 20 on the career ladder and met the movement requirements for three (3) years; and 21 (iv) With eight (8) or more years of industry experience in a 22 field closely related to the subjects they seek to teach shall be 23 placed in an equivalent cell to instructional staff who have been 24 on the career ladder and met the movement requirements for four (4) 25 26 years; and Existing career technical education instructional staff on the 27 (b) residency compensation rung shall have their placement updated con-28 sistent with the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection if the 29 update would result in a rung higher than their current placement. 30 (7)Instructional staff or pupil service staff entering their first 31 year on the career ladder, but with prior certificated instructional, pupil 32 service, administrative, or equivalent elementary or secondary school ex-33 perience, including in an accredited private or parochial school, shall be 34 placed on the career ladder as follows: 35 (a) Instructional staff and pupil service staff who have been awarded a 36 professional endorsement shall be placed as follows: 37 (i) Those with four (4) years of certificated experience and doc-38 umentation from the hiring school district or charter school ad-39 ministrator, attesting the individual has provided evidence that 40 the individual has met the professional compensation rung perfor-41 mance criteria in two (2) of the previous four (4) years, shall be 42 placed in an equivalent cell on the career ladder to instructional 43 staff or pupil service staff who have met the movement criteria for 44 four (4) years; or 45 (ii) Those with five (5) or more years of certificated experi-46 47 ence and documentation from the hiring school district or charter school administrator, attesting the individual has provided ev-48 idence that the individual has met the professional compensation 49 rung performance criteria in three (3) of the previous five (5)

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years, with one (1) year being the fourth or fifth year, shall be placed in an equivalent cell on the career ladder to instructional staff or pupil service staff who have met the movement criteria for the equivalent number of years as they have verified experience.

(b) Instructional staff and pupil service staff who have been awarded an advanced professional endorsement with nine (9) or more years of certificated experience and documentation from the hiring school district or charter school administrator, attesting the individual has provided evidence that the individual has met the professional compensation rung performance criteria in three (3) of the previous five (5) years, with one (1) year being the fourth or fifth year, shall be placed in an equivalent cell on the career ladder to instructional staff or pupil service staff who have met the movement criteria for the equivalent number of years as they have verified experience.

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(8) In addition to the allocation amount specified for the applicable cell on the career ladder, school districts shall receive an additional allocation amount for career technical education instructional staff holding an occupational specialist certificate in the area for which they are teaching in the amount of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), which shall be designated for career technical education staff and included as part of their salary.

In addition to the allocation amount specified for the applicable 22 (9) cell on the career ladder, school districts shall receive an additional 23 allocation amount for instructional staff and pupil service staff holding 24 a professional or an advanced professional endorsement who have acquired 25 additional education and meet the professional or advanced professional 26 compensation rung performance criteria. In determining the additional ed-27 ucation allocation amount, only transcripted credits and degrees on file 28 with the teacher certification office of the state department of education, 29 earned at an institution of higher education accredited by a body recognized 30 by the state board of education or credits earned through an internship or 31 work experience approved by the state board of education, shall be allowed. 32 All credits and degrees earned must be in a relevant pedagogy or content area 33 as determined by the state department of education. Additional education 34 allocation amounts are not cumulative. Instructional staff whose initial 35 certificate is an occupational specialist certificate shall be treated as BA 36 degree-prepared instructional staff. Credits earned by such occupational 37 specialist instructional staff after initial certification shall be cred-38 39 ited toward the education allocation. Additional education allocations are: 40

- (a) For instructional staff and pupil service staff holding a profes sional or an advanced professional endorsement, a baccalaureate degree
 and twenty-four (24) or more credits, two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per
 fiscal year.
- (b) For instructional staff and pupil service staff holding a professional or an advanced professional endorsement and a master's degree,
 three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per fiscal year.
 (c) Effective July 1, 2021, the allocation shall be:

1	Base					
2	-Allocation	1	2	3	4	5
3	Residency	\$40,369	\$40,990	\$41,611		
4	Professional	\$42,991	\$44,836	\$46,681	\$48,526	\$50,370
5 6	Advanced Professional	\$52,734	\$53,207			
7	(d) Effe	ective July 1	, 2022, the al	location sha	ll be:	
8	Base					
9	-Allocation	1	2	3	4	5
10	Residency	\$40,742	\$41,486	\$42,231		
11	Professional	\$43,488	\$45,302	\$47,116	\$48,930	\$50,743
12 13	Advanced Professional	\$53,478	\$54,442	\$55,389		
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17	-Allocation Residency				4	÷
18	Professional	\$41,118	\$41,988	\$42,860	A40.007	AE1 110
19	Advanced	\$43,990	\$45,773	\$47,555	\$49,337	\$51,119
20	Professional	\$54,233	\$55,705	\$57 , 165	\$58,613	
21	(f) Effective July 1, 2024, the allocation shall be:					
22	Base					
23	-Allocation	1	2	3	4	5
24	Residency	\$41,500	\$42 , 500	\$43 , 500		
25	Professional	\$44,500	\$46,250	\$48,000	\$49,750	\$51,500
26 27	Advanced Professional	\$55,000	\$57,000	\$59,000	\$61,000	\$63,000
28	(c) Effe	ective July 1	, 2023, the al	location sha	ll be:	. ,
29	Base					
30	Allocation	<u>1</u>	2	3	4	<u>5</u>
31	Residency	\$47,477	\$48,347	\$49,219		
32	Professional	\$50,349	\$52,132	\$53,914	<u>\$55,696</u>	\$57 , 478
33 34	<u>Advanced</u> Professional	\$60,592	\$62,064	\$63,524	\$64,972	
35	(d) Effe		, 2024, the al			
36	Base	±	· · ·			
37	Allocation	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	3	4	<u>5</u>
38	Residency	_ \$47,859	\$48,859	<u>\$49,859</u>	_	_
39	Professional	\$50,859	\$52,60 <u>9</u>	\$54,359	\$56,109	<u>\$57,859</u>
40 41	<u>Advanced</u> Professional	\$61,359	<u>\$63,359</u>	<u>\$65,359</u>	<u>\$67,359</u>	<u>\$69,359</u>
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(10) Effective July 1, 2025, the educator salary-based apportionment
program compensation rung cell amounts shall be adjusted by an amount equivalent to the salary-based apportionment adjustment for administrative and
classified staff positions.

(11) A review of a sample of evaluations completed by administrators 5 shall be conducted annually to verify such evaluations are being conducted 6 7 with fidelity to the state framework for teaching evaluation, including each domain and identification of which domain or domains the administrator 8 is focusing on for the instructional staff or pupil service staff member 9 being evaluated, as outlined in administrative rule. The review shall be 10 11 completed prior to November 1 of each year. The state board of education shall randomly select a sample of administrators throughout the state. A 12 portion of such administrators' instructional staff and pupil service staff 13 employee evaluations shall be independently reviewed. The ratio of in-14 structional staff evaluations to pupil service staff evaluations shall be 15 16 equal to the ratio of the statewide instructional staff salary allowance to pupil service staff salary allowance. The state board of education, with 17 input from the Idaho-approved teacher preparation programs and the state 18 department of education, shall identify individuals and a process to conduct 19 the reviews. Administrator certificate holders shall be required to par-20 21 ticipate in ongoing evaluation training pursuant to section 33-1204, Idaho Code. The state board of education shall report annually the findings of 22 such reviews to the senate education committee, the house of representatives 23 education committee, the state board of education and the deans of Idaho's 24 approved teacher preparation programs. The state board of education shall 25 promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this subsection. 26

(12) School districts shall submit annually to the state the data nec-27 essary to determine if an instructional staff or pupil service staff member 28 has met the performance criteria for movement on the applicable compensation 29 rung. Such data shall include the individuals' performance on each of the 30 performance criteria as defined in section 33-1001, Idaho Code, including 31 the percentage of students meeting their measurable student achievement and 32 student success indicator targets. The department of education shall calcu-33 late whether or not instructional staff and pupil service staff have met the 34 compensation rung performance criteria based on the data submitted during 35 the previous five (5) years. Individually identifiable performance evalu-36 37 ation ratings submitted to the state remain part of the employee's personnel record and are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to section 74-106, 38 39 Idaho Code.

40 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby 41 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 42 July 1, 2025.

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