

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1338

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 2, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE
2 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-212, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL
3 OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN, TO PROVIDE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE,
4 TO PROVIDE RULEMAKING AUTHORITY AND TO PROVIDE FOR A RESPONSIBLE
5 INDIVIDUAL.
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

8 SECTION 1. That Chapter 2, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
9 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and
10 designated as Section 33-212, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

11 33-212. EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN. (1) Finding
12 and purpose. The legislature finds that due to the frequent moves and
13 deployment of military parents, the children of such parents face barriers
14 to educational success. The purpose of this section is to:

15 (a) Facilitate the timely enrollment of children of military
16 families and ensure that they are not placed at a disadvantage due
17 to difficulty in the transfer of education records from the previous
18 school district(s) or variations in entrance/age requirements;

19 (b) Facilitate the student placement process through which children
20 of military families are not disadvantaged by variations in attendance
21 requirements, scheduling, sequencing, grading, course content or
22 assessment;

23 (c) Facilitate the qualification and eligibility for enrollment,
24 educational programs and participation in extracurricular academic,
25 athletic and social activities;

26 (d) Facilitate the on-time graduation of children of military
27 families;

28 (e) Provide for the promulgation and enforcement of administrative
29 rules implementing the provisions of this section;

30 (f) Provide for the collection and sharing of information between and
31 among states, schools and military families; and

32 (g) Promote flexibility and cooperation between the educational
33 system, parents and the student in order to achieve educational success
34 for the student.

35 (2) Rulemaking authority. In order to accomplish the purposes set
36 forth in subsection (1) of this section, the state board shall promulgate
37 rules that are consistent with articles II, III, IV, V, VI and VII of the
38 interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children.

39 (3) Responsible individual. The state board shall designate an
40 individual who is responsible for the administration and management of
41 the responsibilities created by this section and the rules promulgated
42 hereunder.