

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1096, As Amended

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO PARENTAL RIGHTS IN EDUCATION; AMENDING TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY  
2 THE ADDITION OF A NEW CHAPTER 46, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PRO-  
3 VISIONS RELATING TO PARENTAL RIGHTS IN EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN  
4 ANNUAL NOTICE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.  
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended  
8 by the addition thereto of a NEW CHAPTER, to be known and designated as Chap-  
9 ter 46, Title 33, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 CHAPTER 46

11 PARENTAL RIGHTS IN EDUCATION

12 33-4601. PARENTAL RIGHTS. (1) A student's parent or guardian is the  
13 primary person responsible for the education of the student, and the state is  
14 in a secondary and supportive role to the parent or guardian.

15 (2) School districts and the boards of directors of public char-  
16 ter schools, in consultation with parents, teachers and administrators,  
17 shall develop and adopt a policy to promote the involvement of parents and  
18 guardians of children enrolled in the schools within the school district or  
19 the charter school, including:

20 (a) A plan for parent participation in the schools that is designed to  
21 improve parent and teacher cooperation in such areas as homework, at-  
22 tendance and discipline;

23 (b) A process by which parents may learn about the course of study for  
24 their children and review learning materials, including the source of  
25 any supplemental educational materials; and

26 (c) A process by which parents who object to any learning material or  
27 activity on the basis that it harms the child or impairs the parents'  
28 firmly held beliefs, values or principles, may withdraw their child  
29 from the activity, class or program in which the material is used.

30 33-4602. ANNUAL NOTICE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS. School districts and the  
31 boards of directors of public charter schools shall annually notify a parent  
32 or guardian of a student enrolled in the school district or public charter  
33 school of the parent's or guardian's rights as specified in this chapter.