## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS25294C1

The purpose of this legislation is to improve the health and safety of Idaho school children by reducing the risk of traffic related injuries and fatalities suffered by children traveling to and from school. It will also increase access and opportunity for school children to reach recommended levels of physical activity, help children grow up at a healthy weight, reduce risks of chronic diseases such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and some cancers. Supported Safe Routes to School programs and projects build infrastructure and education programs providing access and encouragement for children to walk and bike to school safely. This creates the Safe Routes to School Healthy Kids Program administered by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC).

## **FISCAL NOTE**

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. This legislation creates a funding mechanism for future distribution to the Safe Routes to School Healthy Kids Program from potential State or other funding that will be deposited in the fund created by the State Treasury and distributed by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC).

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