## IN THE SENATE

## SENATE BILL NO. 1228

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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2	RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 34-303, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE
3	MINIMUM AGE FOR A STUDENT TO BE APPOINTED TO AN ELECTION BOARD AND TO
4	MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 34-303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 34-303. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES BY COUNTY CLERK. (1) The county clerk shall appoint two (2) or more election judges, one (1) of whom shall be designated chief judge, and the number of clerks deemed necessary by him for each polling place. In the event a single polling place is designated for two (2) or more precincts, an individual may serve simultaneously on the election board for two (2) or more precincts thus served by a single polling place. The precinct committeemen shall recommend persons for the position in their respective precincts to the county clerk in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which any appointment shall be made and the county clerk shall appoint the judges from such lists if the persons recommended are qualified.
- (2) The chief election judge shall be responsible for the conduct of the proceedings in the polling place. Compensation for all election personnel shall be determined by the board of county commissioners, and not less than the minimum wage as prescribed by the laws of the state of Idaho.
- $\underline{(3)}$  Each election board shall contain personnel representing all existing political parties if a list of applicants has been provided to the county clerk by the precinct committeemen of the precincts at least sixty (60) days prior to the primary election.
- (4) In order to provide for a greater awareness of the election process, the rights and responsibilities of voters and the importance of participating in the electoral process, as well as to provide additional members of precinct boards, a county clerk may appoint not more than two (2) students per precinct to serve under the direct supervision of election board members designated by the county clerk. A student may be appointed, notwithstanding lack of eligibility to vote, if the student possesses the following qualifications:
  - $(\frac{1}{4})$  Is at least seventeen <u>sixteen</u> (176) years of age at the time of the election for which he or she is serving as a member of an election board.; and
  - (2b) Is a citizen of the United States.