## Survey Overview:

<u>H797</u> (Section 5) of the 2022 legislative session required all school districts and charter schools to complete a survey on the health insurance and health benefit programs offered to staff. The survey will focus on three areas:

- 1) High-level information of the insurance/benefit plans, such as services offered and splits between employer and employee;
- 2) Revenues associated with providing health insurance/benefit programs; and
- 3) Expenditures for health insurance/benefit programs.

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         SECTION 5. HEALTH BENEFIT AND INSURANCE FUNDS. Notwithstanding any law
    to the contrary, for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, it is
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    estimated that the appropriation of state funds to the Public Schools Educa-
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    tional Support Program's Division of Operations will result in total health
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    benefits or insurance, and health benefits-related funds of $19,698 per sup-
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    port unit to be used to offset the costs of health, vision, and dental bene-
    fits or insurance offered to school employees. If the distribution provided
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    for health, vision, and dental benefits or insurance is in excess of the in-
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    dividual school district or charter school actual costs, the excess funds
    may then be used at school district or charter school discretion. Further,
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    the State Department of Education shall work with the Legislative Services
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    Office Division of Budget and Policy Analysis and the Division of Financial
    Management to determine the information that the State Department of Educa-
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    tion shall collect on school district and charter school health, vision, and
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    dental benefits or insurance plan information and costs, including but not
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    limited to actual insurance premium costs and premium percentage increases.
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         Each public school district and public charter school that receives
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    funding from the state shall provide a report to the Legislative Services
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    Office Budget and Policy Analysis Division and the Division of Financial
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    Management no later than December 1, 2022. The format of the report and
    contents therein shall be determined by the Legislative Services Office Di-
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    vision of Budget and Policy Analysis. This data will inform future funding
    decisions. The report, at a minimum, shall include:
         (1) The actual appropriations and expenditures for the period July 1,
         2021, through June 30, 2022, by the school district or public charter
         school for health benefit or insurance distributions; and
         (2) The original appropriation and estimated expenditures for the pe-
         riod July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, by the school district or pub-
         lic charter school for health benefit or insurance distributions.
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# Survey Development:

- Worked with various legislators for input;
- Worked with and received input and implemented changes from: SDE, OSBE, various LSO staff, various districts/charters
- Relied on forms/laws/rules for question development

#### **Communication Process:**

- Idaho Dept of Education at its annual "roadshow"
- Participation at the IASBO monthly meetings
- Informed that the respective associations will encourage their members to submit
- A webinar for this survey will be scheduled soon

# **Survey Results:**

- School districts and charter schools are to complete the survey no later than the bill's listed due date of December 1, 2022.
- All submissions are public;
- All submissions have been and will be shared with DFM
- Survey analysis will be done in December/January with results presented to the Legislature in January

## Questions:

- An FAQ page is available to click on each page of the survey
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