IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1206

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF OPERATIONS; APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; APPROPRIATING GENERAL FUND MONEYS FOR TRANSFER TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL INCOME FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; AMENDING SECTION 33-1004E, IDAHO CODE, TO INCREASE THE BASE SALARY FOR CLASSIFIED STAFF; PROVIDING AN ESTIMATE OF DISCRETIONARY FUNDS PER SUPPORT UNIT; PROVIDING AN ESTIMATE OF HEALTH BENEFIT AND INSURANCE FUNDS PER SUPPORT UNIT AND REQUIRING A REPORT; DIRECTING THE USE OF AN APPROPRIATION FOR CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY, WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE, AND LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINING "DISTRIBUTED"; EXEMPTING THE APPROPRIATION FROM PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS; CLARIFYING THE ORIGINAL FUND SOURCE FOR EXPENDITURES FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM'S DIVISION OF OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Public Schools Educational Support Program's Division of Operations \$1,123,677,600 to be expended from the Public School Income Fund for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated and the Office of the State Controller shall transfer \$1,055,145,400 from the General Fund to the Public School Income Fund on July 1, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

SECTION 3. That Section 33-1004E, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 33-1004E. DISTRICT'S SALARY-BASED APPORTIONMENT. Each district shall be entitled to a salary-based apportionment calculated as provided in this section.
- (1) To determine the apportionment for instructional staff, take the amounts indicated on the career ladder table plus the amounts associated with the additional education allocation amounts pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and calculate the weighted average. The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for instructional staff determined as provided in section 33-1004(2), Idaho Code. Full-time instructional staff salaries shall be determined from a salary schedule developed by each district and submitted to the state department of education. No full-time instructional staff member or pupil service staff member on the residency compensation rung shall be paid less than the minimum

dollar amount on the career ladder residency compensation rung pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, for the applicable fiscal year.

- (2) Effective July 1, 2022, no full-time instructional staff member or pupil service staff member on the professional or advanced professional compensation rung shall be paid less than the minimum dollar amount on the career ladder professional compensation rung pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, for the applicable fiscal year.
- (3) Effective July 1, 2025, no full-time instructional staff member or pupil service staff member on the advanced professional compensation rung shall be paid less than the minimum dollar amount on the advanced professional compensation rung pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, for the applicable fiscal year.
- (4) If an instructional staff member has been certified by the national board for professional teaching standards, the staff member shall receive two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per year for five (5) years from the year in which national board certification was earned. The district staff allotment shall be increased by two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for each national board-certified instructional staff member who earned national board certification; provided however, that no such awards shall be paid for the period July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, nor shall any liabilities accrue or payments be made pursuant to this section in the future to any individuals who would have otherwise qualified for a payment during this stated time period. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for instructional staff. For purposes of this section, teachers qualifying for the salary increase shall be those who have been recognized as national board-certified teachers as of July 1 of each year.
- To determine the apportionment for pupil service staff, take the amounts indicated on the career ladder table plus the amounts associated with the additional education allocation amounts pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and calculate the weighted average. If the district does not employ any pupil service staff, the district's pupil service staff average salary shall equal the district's instructional staff average salary for purposes of calculating pupil service salary-based apportionment. The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for pupil service staff determined pursuant to section 33-1004(3), Idaho Code. Full-time pupil service staff salaries shall be determined from a salary schedule developed by each district and submitted to the state department of education. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for pupil service staff. No full-time pupil service staff member shall be paid less than the minimum dollar amount on the career ladder residency compensation rung pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, for the applicable fiscal year.
- (6) To determine the apportionment for district administrative staff, first determine the district average experience and education index by placing all eligible certificated administrative employees on the statewide index provided in section 33-1004A, Idaho Code. The resulting average is the district index. If the district does not employ any administrative staff, the district administrative index shall equal the statewide average index for purposes of calculating administrative salary-based apportionment. On and after July 1, 2022, the district administrative staff index shall be

multiplied by the base salary of forty-one thousand four hundred ninety-one dollars (\$41,491). The amount so determined shall be multiplied by the district staff allowance for administrative staff determined as provided in section 33-1004(4), Idaho Code. The resulting amount is the district's salary-based apportionment for administrative staff.

- (7) On and after July 1, 2022 2023, to determine the apportionment for classified staff, multiply twenty-four thousand eight hundred forty-one dollars (\$24,841) thirty-eight thousand eight hundred two dollars (\$38,802) by the district classified staff allowance determined as provided in section 33-1004(5), Idaho Code. The amount so determined is the district's apportionment for classified staff.
- (8) The district's salary-based apportionment shall be the sum of the apportionments calculated in subsections (1), (4), (5), (6) and (7) of this section, plus the benefit apportionment as provided in section 33-1004F, Idaho Code.

SECTION 4. DISCRETIONARY FUNDS. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, it is estimated that the appropriation of state funds to the Public Schools Educational Support Program's Division of Operations will result in total discretionary funds of \$19,537 per support unit that are to be used at the discretion of the school district or charter school.

SECTION 5. HEALTH BENEFIT AND INSURANCE FUNDS. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, it is estimated that the appropriation of state funds to the Public Schools Educational Support Program's Division of Operations will result in total health benefits or insurance and health benefits-related funds of \$21,854 per support unit to be used to offset the costs of health, vision, and dental benefits or insurance offered to school employees. If the distribution provided for health, vision, and dental benefits or insurance is in excess of the individual school district's or charter school's actual costs, the excess funds may then be used at school district's or charter school's Further, the State Department of Education shall work with discretion. the Legislative Services Office Division of Budget and Policy Analysis and the Division of Financial Management to determine the information that the State Department of Education shall collect on school districts' and charter schools' health, vision, and dental benefits or insurance plan information and costs, including but not limited to actual insurance premium costs, premium percentage increases, and health insurance revenues and expenditures from all fund sources.

SECTION 6. CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY. Of the moneys appropriated in Section 1 of this act, \$36,500,000 from the Public School Income Fund shall be distributed for classroom technology, classroom technology infrastructure, wireless technology infrastructure, and learning management systems that assist teachers and students in effective and efficient instruction or learning. Funding shall be distributed based on a formula prescribed by the State Department of Education. Moneys so distributed shall be used to implement and operate a learning management system of each school district's or

public charter school's choice. A learning management system shall include integration with a school district's or public charter school's student information system (SIS) and shall administer, monitor, and document student and classroom levels of learning. The State Department of Education shall verify that school districts and public charter schools are using funds to purchase a learning management system that is compliant with these standards.

SECTION 7. DEFINITION. For the purposes of this appropriation, "distributed" means moneys that are transferred to school districts and public charter schools, with no funds withheld for any other contract or administrative costs.

SECTION 8. EXEMPTIONS FROM PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS. For the period July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, the State Department of Education is hereby granted the authority to transfer appropriations among the Administrators, Teachers, Operations, Children's Programs, and Facilities divisions of the Public Schools Educational Support Program, in any amount necessary, to comply with the public school funding provisions of appropriations and Idaho Code. Additionally, appropriations may be transferred from the Division of Central Services to the other divisions of the Public Schools Educational Support Program.

SECTION 9. Of the amounts appropriated in Section 1 of this act to the Public Schools Educational Support Program's Division of Operations, the following amounts shall be considered expended from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024:

25 FROM:

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 General Fund
 \$1,055,145,400

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 Public Schools Other Income Fund
 7,000,000

 28
 Public School Endowment Income Fund
 61,532,200

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 TOTAL
 \$1,123,677,600

30 SECTION 10. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby 31 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 32 July 1, 2023.