LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 452

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT
RELATING TO IDAHO DIGITAL LEARNING ACADEMY FUNDING; AMENDING SECTION 33-1020, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING IDAHO DIGITAL LEARNING ACADEMY FUNDING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 33-1020, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

33-1020. IDAHO DIGITAL LEARNING ACADEMY FUNDING. (1) Of the moneys appropriated for the educational support program, an amount of four hundred thirty dollars ($430) per enrollment shall be distributed to support the Idaho digital learning academy, created pursuant to chapter 55, title 33, Idaho Code. For the purposes of this section, an "enrollment" shall be counted each time an Idaho school age child enrolls in an Idaho digital learning academy class and continues to be enrolled in such class past the deadline to withdraw, where such withdrawal would not result in the class appearing on such child's transcript in any way. A single child enrolled in multiple classes shall count as multiple enrollments. Summer enrollments shall be included in the fiscal year that begins that summer. The amount distributed shall be calculated as follows:

(1) A base amount shall be distributed, equal to the current fiscal year's statewide average salary-based apportionment funding per midterm support unit, multiplied by twenty-six (26).

(2) A variable amount shall be distributed, equal to the number of enrollments multiplied by the current fiscal year's appropriation of state funds for the educational support program per student reported in attendance for the first reporting period, divided by twenty-three (23).

(2) The state department of education shall make an estimated distribution of funds to the Idaho digital learning academy by no later than July 31 of each fiscal year, consisting of eighty percent (80%) of the estimated funding for the fiscal year. The balance of all remaining funds to be distributed, pursuant to the calculations in this section, shall be distributed by no later than May 15 of the same fiscal year. The state department of education shall reconcile the enrollments prior to the May 15 payment and withhold or recover any costs necessary to align the funding with verified enrollments. The joint finance-appropriations committee shall consider adjusting the per enrollment amount each legislative session by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase approved for salary increases for instructional and pupil service staff pursuant to section 33-1004B, Idaho Code, and for administrative and classified staff pursuant to section 33-1004E, Idaho Code.
SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2024.