

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Amending Idaho Code 33-1613 to create requirements for safe public school facilities, provide fines for violation, ensuring protections for Idaho's children and those who care for them every day. Idaho's children must learn in a safe, healthy school environment. Some of our public school facilities currently face serious safety and health concerns that put students and staff at risk. This legislation strengthens existing school safety requirements by mandating rigorous facility inspections, requiring prompt abatement of unsafe conditions related to lead and mold, and prompt mitigation of high levels of radon, and establishing clear accountability measures including mandatory reporting to parents. By implementing these enhanced safety protocols and protections, Idaho reaffirms its commitment to our communities and parents that Idaho's public school children are learning in school facilities that meet basic safety and health standards.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation does not increase or decrease revenues overall. This bill does not require any additional allocation of funds at the state or local level of government nor does it cause an increase or decrease in revenue for state or local government, therefore the legislation has no fiscal impact.

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