

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1330

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; AMENDING CHAPTER 23, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE,
BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-2307, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PRO-
VISIONS REGARDING THE IDAHO EXTENDED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES PROGRAM.

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 23, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 33-2307, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

33-2307. IDAHO EXTENDED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES PROGRAM. (1) There is hereby created the Idaho extended employment services program for the purpose of assisting individuals to develop skills necessary to achieve and maintain competitive integrated employment.

(2) The program shall provide services that are either long-term job coaching services or short-term training services based on the needs of an eligible individual, as specified in an individualized program plan for employment.

(a) Long-term job coaching services shall be:

(i) Needed to support and maintain competitive integrated employment for an individual with a most significant disability or a youth with a most significant disability in supported employment; and

(ii) Provided after the individual has received vocational rehabilitation services, or organized or made available, singly or in combination, in such a way as to assist an eligible individual in maintaining supported employment.

(b) Short-term training services shall be:

(i) Needed to obtain employment skills necessary for an individual to either become eligible for vocational rehabilitation services or to become a competitive applicant for competitive integrated employment and may be delivered in a nonintegrated setting; and

(ii) Organized or made available, singly or in combination, in such a way as to assist an eligible individual in obtaining or increasing work skills necessary for that individual to benefit from vocational rehabilitation services and competitive integrated employment.

(c) The services provided by the Idaho extended employment services program shall be provided only when individuals do not have access to comparable services or have fully utilized comparable services for which they are eligible.

(d) The services provided by the Idaho extended employment services program shall be separate from and delivered subsequent to vocational

1 rehabilitation services as defined in 29 U.S.C. 705(40), provided by
2 the Idaho division of vocational rehabilitation.

3 (3) The Idaho extended employment services program shall be adminis-
4 tered by the Idaho division of vocational rehabilitation. Program services
5 may be provided by another state agency, private nonprofit organization, em-
6 ployer, or any other appropriate resource.

7 (4) The Idaho division of vocational rehabilitation may periodically
8 review a participant's eligibility for the Idaho extended employment ser-
9 vices program.

10 (5) In order to provide extended employment services, the state board
11 for career technical education may enter into, or may authorize a state
12 agency over which it has oversight to enter into, agreements with any person,
13 corporation, or association approved by the state board for career technical
14 education to provide such services.

15 (6) The state board for career technical education shall have the au-
16 thority to promulgate necessary rules, if applicable, to implement and ad-
17 minister the Idaho extended employment services program.