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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The bipartisan Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 appropriates \$5 billion between fiscal years 2022 and 2026 to fund the purchase of low - or zero - emission school buses. This funding will be available as grants and rebates to assist fleets in purchasing new, cleaner school buses and the associated charging and fueling infrastructure.

One requirement of the act is that school buses purchased with this funding be operated as part of the school fleet for which the award was made for not less than five years.

Idaho Code § 33-1510 limits contracts for school bus services to no longer than five years. This legislation creates an exception for school buses purchased and operated by transportation service company with funds from the Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 to exceed five years.

FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note This legislation will have no impact on the state's General fund or any other funds because this proposal only provides contracting flexibility to comply with the Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021.

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