

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23971

Amendments in this legislation reiterate that contracts for transportation services entered into by local education agencies (LEAs) must be in compliance with the applicable state and federal laws. The State Department of Education will be required to make available model RFPs and contracts, but the LEA retains full authority and responsibility for the final form and execution of the documents. The LEA will be responsible for submitting executed copies to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Department uses the executed copies as the basis for entering the LEAs or transportation contractor's data in the statewide record system called the Idaho Bus Utilization System (IBUS).

FISCAL NOTE

There is no negative fiscal impact to the state or local units of government. Efficiencies gained from the reduction of bureaucracy and paperwork while retaining accountability should produce positive impacts for the Department and LEAs alike.

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