

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 554

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 33, IDAHO  
2 CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1029, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE  
3 THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL DISTRIBUTE CERTAIN FUNDS  
4 FOR THE PURCHASE OF CLASSROOM SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS AND TO PROVIDE  
5 RULEMAKING AUTHORITY.  
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

8 SECTION 1. That Chapter 10, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is  
9 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-  
10 ignated as Section 33-1029, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

11 33-1029. FUNDS FOR CLASSROOM SUPPLIES. (1) Subject to appropriation,  
12 the state department of education shall equally distribute funds for the  
13 purchase of classroom supplies and materials to each public school classroom  
14 teacher for kindergarten through grade 12.

15 (2) The state board of education shall promulgate rules implementing  
16 the provisions of this section. At a minimum, such rules shall provide:

- 17 (a) Permissible uses for the funds;
- 18 (b) Assurances that the classroom teacher has access to and decision-  
19 making authority over how the funds will be spent;
- 20 (c) Allowances for teachers to carry funds over from year to year; and
- 21 (d) Accountability and oversight processes, provided that such pro-  
22 cesses shall not be overly burdensome to school districts, schools, or  
23 teachers.