IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 648

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1   AN ACT
2 RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 16, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, BY THE AD-
3   DITION OF A NEW SECTION 33-1634, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS RE-
4   GARDING COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES.

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

6   SECTION 1. That Chapter 16, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
7 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
8 ignated as Section 33-1634, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

9   33-1634. COMPUTER SCIENCE. Starting in fiscal year 2020, each school
10 district, specially chartered district and public charter school serving
11 students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, or any combination thereof,
12 shall make available to all students in grades 9 through 12 one (1) or more
13 courses in computer science. Students must have the option of taking the
14 course as part of their course schedule during normal instructional hours
15 at the school in which the student is enrolled. Such courses may be offered
16 through virtual education programs and online courses, traditional in-per-
17 son courses or hybrid courses consisting of a combination of online and
18 in-person instruction. Computer science courses must be aligned with the
19 Idaho content standards for computer science.