

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS25693

The purpose of this legislation is to codify the State Board of Education's (Board) policy on the transfer of general education postsecondary credits earned at one Idaho public postsecondary institution and transferred to another institution within the system. Current Board policy requires public postsecondary institutions to accept all general education academic credits toward degree completion within the limits allowed by the accreditation organization. The proposed legislation would create a new section in Chapter 37, Title 33, which would specify how general education credits transfer between institutions. Students who complete the requirements for an associate's degree at a regionally accredited institution will be considered as satisfying the general education requirements of the public postsecondary institution transferred to by the student. Students who complete the 36-credit general education framework at one public Idaho postsecondary institution without earning an associate's degree, and who transfer to another public Idaho postsecondary institution, will not be required to complete any additional institution-specific general education requirements. Additional language will require the public postsecondary institutions to provide students with an explanation of why any credits submitted for transfer did not transfer as well as the procedures for having credits or courses evaluated for degree requirement equivalencies.

### FISCAL NOTE

This legislation is based on current Board policy and will not create any additional fiscal impact.

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