

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1247

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-1002G, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE  
2 THAT ELIGIBLE COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGENCIES MAY ESTABLISH CAREER TECH-  
3 NICAL SCHOOLS AND TO PROVIDE THAT A COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGENCY MUST OWN  
4 OR MAINTAIN A FACILITY SEPARATE FROM ANY OF THE MEMBER SCHOOL DISTRICTS  
5 MAKING UP THE COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGENCY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

8 SECTION 1. That Section 33-1002G, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 33-1002G. CAREER TECHNICAL SCHOOL FUNDING AND ELIGIBILITY. (1)  
11 School districts, ~~and~~ public charter schools, and eligible cooperative  
12 service agencies may establish career technical schools that qualify for  
13 funding appropriated for the specific purpose of supporting the added cost  
14 of career technical schools. These funds will be appropriated to the state  
15 board for career technical education, to be expended by the division of ca-  
16 reer technical education. In order for a school to qualify for funding as a  
17 career technical school, it must make application to the division of career  
18 technical education on or before the fifteenth of April for the following  
19 fiscal year. This includes applicants for new schools and renewal appli-  
20 cations. Approved public charter schools with career technical education  
21 programs will receive the same added cost unit as any other eligible school  
22 on an actual approved cost basis not to exceed the per-student cost for a tra-  
23 ditional instructional delivery method. All career technical schools must  
24 meet all three (3) of the following criteria:

25 (a) The school serves students from two (2) or more high schools. No one  
26 (1) high school can comprise more than eighty-five percent (85%) of the  
27 total enrolled career technical school students. In the event a student  
28 enrolled in the career technical school is not enrolled in a public high  
29 school, the eighty-five percent (85%) will be calculated based on the  
30 public high school attendance area where the student resides. This pro-  
31 vision does not exclude a public charter school with a statewide bound-  
32 ary from applying for appropriate added cost funds authorized for ca-  
33 reer technical education, irrespective of the instructional delivery  
34 method.

35 (b) The majority of the school's program offerings lead to some form of  
36 postsecondary credit, such as dual credit or other advanced opportuni-  
37 ties, as defined by the state board of education, or include apprentice-  
38 ship opportunities.

39 (c) All school programs offer at least one (1) supervised field experi-  
40 ence for all students.

41 (2) All career technical schools must also meet at least one (1) of the  
42 following three (3) requirements:

1 (a) The school is funded separately from schools that qualify for com-  
2 putation using regular secondary support units.

3 (b) The school has a separate and distinct governing board.

4 (c) The majority of the school programs are provided at dedicated fa-  
5 cilities that are separate from the regular high school facilities.

6 (3) An eligible cooperative service agency, formed pursuant to section  
7 33-317, Idaho Code, must own or maintain a facility separate from any of the  
8 member school districts making up the cooperative service agency.

9 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby  
10 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its  
11 passage and approval.