STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This bill proposes to update Idaho code on "Open Enrollment" so that families can more easily send their children to the public school that works best for them. This is the first comprehensive update to the law in 30 years. Current law allows local school districts to opt out of Open Enrollment altogether, allows districts to charge parents tuition when their child enrolls from other districts, and does not provide parents flexibility. Many school districts have modern Open Enrollment policies reflective of the new era of student mobility, simple transfer of data and up-to-date reporting. However, the law has not kept up with current practices and is outdated. This bill modernizes the law to reflect best practices around the state and give parents more choice.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the general fund. Local school districts are able to transfer funds or get state support as needed to account for student movement. This bill does not change that.

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