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SUBJECT

Legislative Update

REFERENCE

February 18, 2014

The Board received a legislative update and took action to support one bill (HB110).

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

This item is to provide the Board with an update on Board approved legislation and other education related bills thus far in the 2015 legislative session.

The attached summary provides a brief outline of where each bill currently stands in the legislative process and any new education related education introduced since the last legislative update to the Board. The new bills since the last update are highlighted in blue.

IMPACT

Board action, either supporting or opposing individual bills would allow for Board staff to testify to the Boards position during the hearings on the bills during the legislative committee meetings.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Summary of Education Related Legislation

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STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board staff will be prepared to walk the Board through specific legislation that the Board may wish to opine on as well as answer questions regarding the impact that a given piece of legislation may have on the state educational system.

The Board has the option of supporting, opposing or taking no action on any of the bills discussed. Board staff will be available to walk through the bills and answer specific questions and give recommendations on the bills discussed.

Under Board Action is suggested language Board members may wish to use, should they want to take action on any given bill.

BOARD ACTION

This item is for informational purposes only. Any action will be at the Board's discretion.

I move the State Board of Education oppose _____. *(insert bill number)*

OR

I move the State Board of Education support _____. *(insert bill number)*

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Board Approved Legislation

Bill No	Description	Last Action
H0020	Transfer of Surplus Property: Clarifies the conflict between the	02/02/2015 House- Passed 64-5-1 02/12/2015 Senate – Passed 33-0-1
H0021	Nursing Education Program Approval: Amends language in section 54-1406, removing the requirement that the Board approve curriculum changes in all nursing programs that would impact articulation agreements.	02/02/2015 House – Passed 69-0-1 02/12/2015 Senate – Passed 33-0-2
H0022	School District Trustee Terms – Transition from 3 to 4 year terms: Repeals a section of code that is no longer relevant as the terms specified in it have all expired.	02/02/2015 House – Passed 68-1-1 02/10/2015 Senate – Passed 33-0-2
H0045/ H0199	Income Tax Credit – Sunset Removal: Removes the sunset on tax credits to educational institutions and agencies	01/28/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Revenue & Taxation (H0045) 02/27/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Revenue & Taxation (H0199)
H0074/ HB122	Continuous Improvement Plans: Updates the language around district strategic plans to focus them more toward continuous improvement plans and increases the amount of funds available for training from \$2,000 to \$6,600.	02/20/2015 House - Passed: 41-24-5 03/03/2015 Senate – Reported out of committee with do pass recommendation, filed for second reading
S1021	Charter School Financial Support: Separates the state appropriate from the automatic calculation of the Charter School Authorizer fee for the schools Authorized by the Public Charter School Commission and amends reporting date requirement	02/09/2015 Senate – Passed 33-2-0 02/17/2015 House – Passed 68-0-2
S1050	Advanced Opportunities: Amends the Advanced Opportunities programs contained in code to consolidate	02/24/2015 Senate - Passed - 30-4-0 03/03/2015 House – Reported out of committee with a do pass recommendation; filed for second reading

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	them into one chapter and other various small program changes	
RS23268	Risk Management – Opt Out: Allows the Institutions to opt out of Risk Management services, including the purchase of their own liability insurance with Board approval.	Has not been scheduled for a print hearing.
RS23314	Career Ladder Legislation: Implements the recommendations of the Task Force moving teacher apportionment to a Career Ladder model.	Has not been scheduled for a print hearing.

Board Supported Legislation

Bill No	Description	Last Action
H0110	Authorizes the Department of Education to conduct a statewide awareness campaign to promote mastery based education and to facilitate the development of an incubator program. This legislation is in alignment with the Governor’s Task Force Recommendation on Mastery Based education.	02/20/2015 House - Passed: 65-0-5 02/26/2015 Senate - Read second time; filed for Third Reading
S1081	Amends required reserved limits on public postsecondary educational institutions self-insured health care benefits. (Requested by UI)	02/20/2015 Senate - Passed: 31-0-3 03/03/2015 House - U.C. to hold place on third reading calendar one legislative day
S1086	Requires PTE to coordinate with IDLA on providing online PTE courses to school districts and allows PTE to provide incentives to institutions to align courses with secondary programs for greater uniformity and transferability	03/02/2015 Senate - Passed: 34-0-0 03/02/2015 House – Read first time, referred to Education

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Superintendent Introduced Legislation

Bill No	Description	Last Action
H0097	Education Services for the Deaf and Blind for the Board of Directors: Allows the Superintendent to appoint a designee in their place to serve as the chair of the Board of Directors.	02/10/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Education
S1018	Teacher Certification Fees and the Professional Standards Commission: Allows the Department to move the fee revenue into a line item within the Departments budget and removes the statutory percentages that could be used by the Department to defray the cost of teacher certification administration	02/06/2015 Senate – Passed: 34-0-1 02/23/2015 House – Passed: 68-1-1
S1019	Teacher Criminal History Check Fees: Amends the fee to \$11 plus applicable fees charged by ISP, FBI, etc rather than the total maximum fee of \$40 for criminal history/fingerprint check.	02/06/2015 Senate – Passed 32-2-1 03/02/2015 House – Held in Committee
H0190	Teacher Criminal History Check Fees: Amends the fee only those applicable fees charged by ISP, FBI, etc rather than the total maximum fee of \$40 for criminal history/fingerprint check.	02/26/2015 House - Reported out of committee with a do pass recommendation, filed for Second Reading

Other Education Related Legislation

Bill No	Description	Last Action
H0047	Amends existing law regarding revenue from navigable waterways including to provide that royalties from extraction of minerals from navigable waterways shall be deposited in	02/06/2015 House – Passed: 48-18-4 02/09/2015 Senate - Introduced, read first time; referred to: Resources & Environment

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	the Public School Permanent Endowment Fund.	
H0052	Youth challenge prog/peal sunset: Repeals the sunset on this National Guard youth intervention program	02/13/2015 House – Passed: 46-17-7 02/25/2015 Senate – Passed: 34-0-0
H0065	Education, superintendent duties: Requires the State Superintendent start the process of withdrawing from the SBAC consortium, prohibits the use of SBAC created questions as a graduation requirement, repurposes assessment funds to professional development	02/02/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Ways & Means
H0076	Taxes, base assessment roll: amends existing law to provide for funds for the school emergency fund levy to be included on the base assessment roll	02/13/2015 House - Passed: 66-1-3 03/02/2015 Senate - Passed: 34-0-0
H0083	Postsecondary credit scholarship: Provides a scholarship to students who graduate from and Idaho high school and go to a public institution who have earned dual credits. Requires a matching academic scholarship.	02/05/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Education
H0126	Allows school districts to receive salary-based apportionment based on the better of their midterm or full-term support unit numbers. The staff allowance is used in calculated funds used for personnel costs.	03/02/2015 House - Passed: 51-19-0 03/03/2015 Senate – Introduced, read first time; referred to Education
H0169	To provide for a one year duration of all agreements with regard to salaries, benefits, and any items with a direct or indirect cost to the school district's budget, and to allow for a two year duration of all agreements with regard to other items	03/03/2015 House – Passed: 69-1-0

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	between a public school district or public charter school and the professional personnel of the district, consistent with the timing of and duration of the fiscal year of the school.	
H0170	Adds to existing law to provide for pay for success contracting.	02/26/2015 House - Passed: 58-9-3 02/27/2015 Senate - Introduced, read first time; referred to: Education
H0178	Amends existing law to revise the maximum amount of educational debt repayments for rural physicians and to provide that the review board shall make a certain consideration before granting awards.	03/03/2015 House – Held on third reading calendar one legislative day
H0191	Amends and adds to existing law to apply a section to an additional group of individuals, to revise penalty provisions; and to provide requirements for harassment, intimidation and bullying information and professional development.	02/26/2015 House - Reported Printed and Referred to Education
S1064	Amends existing law to revise requirements for licensure as a registered cosmetologist.	02/12/2015 Senate - Reported Printed; referred to Commerce & Human Resources
S1070	Requires High School students be allowed to take alternate route to graduation rather than a standards achievement test with parent/guardian approval	03/02/2015 Senate - Referred to 14th Order for amendment
S1071	Requires students pass US citizenship civics test for high school graduation, sets level to pass	02/26/2015 Senate - Reported out of committee; to 14th Order for amendment
S1072	Requires candidates for school board trustee position file sunshine reports like other non-partisan positions	03/03/2015 Senate – Reported out of committee with do pass recommendation; filed for second reading
S1085	Requires state superintendent to start process to remove Idaho from Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium,	02/16/2015 Senate - Reported Printed; referred to Education

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	prohibits students from taking any test or test question developed by such consortium as a graduation requirement	
S1087	Amends existing law to provide admission preference to students transferring from a charter school to a different charter school	03/02/2015 Senate - Passed: 27-7-0 03/03/2015 House – Read first time, referred to Education
S1088	Defines when a reduction in force may occur and removes sunset clause from previous session	03/03/2015 Senate – Passed: 33-0-1
S1096	Creates a new chapter outline parental rights in education. Requires school districts to develop policies to promote parental involvement and requires annual parent notification of such rights.	02/17/2015 Senate - Reported Printed; referred to Education
S1097	Repeals §33-1006A which requires the Department of Education to conduct audits of transportation operations under certain conditions.	03/03/2015 Senate – Passed: 33-0-1
HCR003	Education, data system study: Creates a Legislative Council to study the state’s K-20 SLDS	02/05/2015 House – Adopted: 63-4-3 03/03/2015 Senate – Adopted: 32-0-2
SCR105	This resolution directs the Department of Education and Board to convert the current Idaho Core Standards into more Idaho-specific standards in 2015.	03/02/2015 Senate – Held in Education Committee
SCR106	This resolution directs the Department of Education to find an alternative to the “Smarter Balance Assessment Consortium” and report to the legislature in 2016 the feasibility of using a replacement and further resolves that assessments for evaluation or accountability purposed should be chosen at the local level.	02/17/2015 Senate – Adopted: 33-1-0 02/27/2015 House - Read First Time, Referred to Education

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	Career Ladder Legislation: Moves teacher apportionment to a 2 tiered career ladder model and ties student achievement or growth and teacher performance to teacher pay.	03/04/2015 House – RS presented for introduction 03/03/2015 Senate - Draft legislation presented to Education Committee for discussion
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Supplemental Appropriations

Bill No	Description	Last Action
H0168	Approp. add'l \$3,640,500 for FY 2015 to the Sup. of Public Instruction to pay for broadband at public schools; providing legislative intent for use of the funds; providing legislative intent regarding the law governing procurement for school districts; providing legislative intent for reporting requirements; and reducing the appropriation to the Dep. of Admin. for FY 2015 by \$5,052,000 for the Idaho Education Network.	02/19/2015 House –Passed: 68-1-11 02/23/2015 Senate –Passed: 33-0-1
S1002	Approp, Public Television, add'l: Provides a one-time supplemental appropriation to IPTV for FY15 for the replacement of equipment.	01/28/2015 Senate – Passed: 33-1-1 02/02/2015 – House – Passed: 53-15-2
S1012	Approp, Voc Rehab Div, add'l: Provides an ongoing supplemental appropriation to IDVR for FY15 for the State Independent Living Council and assessment, training, etc to assist people with disabilities secure and retain employment.	01/30/2015 Senate – Passed: 32-0-3 02/04/2015 House – Passed: 60-10-0
S1116	Approp, Pub Schls/Children, add'l: appropriates an additional \$49,115,000 from federal funds to the Public Schools Educational Support Program/Division of Children's Programs for fiscal year 2015	03/03/2015 Senate - Introduced; read first time; referred to JR for Printing

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May Impact Institutions/Education

Bill No	Description	Last Action
S1039	Eminent domain – specifies what a property owner may use to assess property value and damages	02/05/2015 Senate - Reported Printed; referred to Transportation