

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 203

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE; AMENDING SECTION 67-5771A, IDAHO CODE, TO  
2 REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH INSURANCE PAR-  
3 TICIPATION FUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
4 DATE.  
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Section 67-5771A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 67-5771A. PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH INSURANCE PARTICIPATION FUND. (1)  
10 There is hereby created in the state treasury the public school health insur-  
11 ance participation fund. The fund is continuously appropriated to the state  
12 department of education for the purpose of funding the actuarially estab-  
13 lished onetime amount required for a public school to buy in to the state's  
14 medical and dental group insurance plan, ~~not to exceed four thousand five~~  
15 ~~hundred dollars (\$4,500) per support unit.~~ The fund shall consist of moneys  
16 made available through legislative transfers, appropriations, or as other-  
17 wise provided by law and shall be available for use only to publicly funded  
18 K-12 educational institutions. Interest earnings from the investment of  
19 moneys in the fund shall be returned to the fund.

20 (2) All moneys in the fund shall be used only for onetime expenses as-  
21 sociated with accommodating participation into the state's health plan as  
22 set forth in this section. The state department of education shall make pay-  
23 ment or payments to the office of group insurance for this purpose within a  
24 reasonable time of participants being identified. If demand exceeds avail-  
25 able funds, the state department of education shall administer the fund on  
26 a first-come, first-served basis. No funds may be expended prior to July 1,  
27 2022, and any unexpended moneys remaining in the fund after June 30, ~~2024~~  
28 2025, shall be transferred by the state controller to the public education  
29 stabilization fund. If the public education stabilization fund is fully  
30 funded, then remaining funds shall be transferred to the general fund.

31 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby  
32 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after  
33 July 1, 2023.