

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 460

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO THE TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS; AMENDING SECTION 33-1510, IDAHO
2 CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO CONTRACTS FOR TRANSPORTATION
3 SERVICE.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 33-1510, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 33-1510. CONTRACTS FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE. ~~(1) All eContracts en-~~
9 ~~tered into by boards of trustees for the transportation of pupils shall be in~~
10 ~~writing using the current compliance with all applicable state and federal~~
11 ~~laws. The state department of education will make available to local educa-~~
12 ~~tion agencies a model of a request for proposal (RFP) and a pupil transporta-~~
13 ~~tion model contract developed by the state department of education. School~~
14 ~~districts may attach to the model contract addenda to meet local require-~~
15 ~~ments. School districts shall submit to the state superintendent of pub-~~
16 ~~lic instruction a an executed copy of the pupil transportation RFP and con-~~
17 ~~tract prior to both parties signing it, for a review of legal requirements~~
18 ~~and appropriate costs and for final approval. The state superintendent of~~
19 ~~public instruction shall respond to the school district within twenty-one~~
20 ~~(21) calendar days of the postmarked receipt of the contract by notifying the~~
21 ~~school district of contract approval or of recommended or required changes.~~
22 ~~A school district may appeal to the state board of education any changes the~~
23 ~~state superintendent requires, in which case the state board may, upon re-~~
24 ~~view, approve the contract without such changes.~~

25 ~~(2) No contract shall be executed covering a period of time exceeding~~
26 ~~five (5) years. School districts shall advertise, bid and contract for all~~
27 ~~bus transportation service routes at a single time, and contract with the~~
28 ~~lowest responsible bidder or bidders meeting the specifications; provided~~
29 ~~that, one (1) time only, a school district may renew a contract with the cur-~~
30 ~~rent contractor if the board of trustees, after renegotiation with the con-~~
31 ~~tractor, determines that the terms are satisfactory to the district. The~~
32 ~~board of trustees may renew the contract for a term not to exceed five (5)~~
33 ~~years. Renewal of any contract pursuant to this section shall not be granted~~
34 ~~unless the provisions of this section were included, in a substantially con-~~
35 ~~forming summary, within the bidding notice, published pursuant to section~~
36 ~~33-601, Idaho Code, of the contract.~~

37 ~~(3) Before entering into such contracts, the board of trustees shall~~
38 ~~invite bids by twice giving notice as provided in section 33-402(2), Idaho~~
39 ~~Code, and shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder.~~