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08.02.03 - RULES GOVERNING THOROUGHNESS

DOCKET NO. 08-0203-1602

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 33-1006, and 33-1501 through 33-1512, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

Thursday, April 21, 2016 - 9:00 a.m.

**State Department of Education
Lewis and Clark Conference Room
650 West State Street, Second Floor
Boise, Idaho**

The meeting sites will be accessible to persons with disabilities, if needed. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the meeting to the agency address below.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do the following: attend the negotiated rulemaking meetings and participate in the negotiation process; provide oral or written recommendations, or both, at the negotiated rulemaking meetings; and/or, submit written recommendations and comments to the following, on or before April 29, 2016.

Mail to:
State Department of Education
Attn: Doug Scott
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0027

Hand Deliver to:
Len B. Jordan Building
650 West State Street
Second Floor
Boise, ID 83720

Online Submission Form:
sde.idaho.gov/topics/admin-rules

Fax:
(208) 334-2228

Upon conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary and made available on the agency website.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures were changed and approved at the 16th National Congress on School Transportation in May of 2015. The revised edition of the Incorporated by Reference document, Standards for Idaho School Buses and Operations, reflect the changes from the national level. Additional language was added to increase clarification, or to reflect manufacturing or operational procedures. The changes to the Standards for Idaho School Buses and Operations include: the format of school bus specifications as well as the actual specifications, alternative fuels, school bus inspections, general operations, disabilities-special health care, Idaho School Bus Withdrawal from Service Standards, and others. The rule would reflect a new approval date of the Standards for Idaho School Buses and Operations by the State Board of Education.

CONTACT INFORMATION, WEB ADDRESS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, contact Doug Scott, Director of Student Transportation, at (208) 332-6856 or ddscott@sde.idaho.gov. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the State Department of Education's web site at the following web address: sde.idaho.gov/topics/admin-rules. All written comments must be submitted as directed above and received on or before April 29, 2016.

DATED this 26th Day of February, 2016.

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