



BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR

March 30, 2023

The Honorable Mike Moyle
Speaker of the House
Idaho House of Representatives
Hand Delivered

Dear Speaker,

I hereby advise you that I have signed on March 30, 2023, and transmitted to the Office of the Secretary of State, with my approval, the following House bill to wit:

HOUSE BILL 343

within the time prescribed by law, the same having arrived in the Office of the Governor at the hour of 9:40 a.m. on March 29, 2023.

I am supportive of this budget as it is our constitutional duty to pass a balanced budget for each state agency under my purview. The Idaho Public Charter School Commission serves an important function within our public school system and is required in section 33-5209c(1), Idaho Code, to “continually monitor the performance and legal compliance of the public charter schools it oversees, including collecting and analyzing data to support ongoing evaluation according to the performance certificate. Every authorized chartering entity shall have the authority to conduct or require oversight activities that enable the authorized chartering entity to fulfill its responsibilities pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.” Under the Code, the Idaho Public Charter School Commission is charged with ensuring the academic and financial success of our state’s charter schools, as taxpayer funds are on the line.

Under my recommended budget, I proposed to bolster our Idaho Public Charter School Commission to give them the tools they need to fulfill this statutory obligation. Without these enhancements, we are putting both state tax dollars and, more importantly, the education of our children at risk.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Little".

Brad Little
Governor of Idaho