2017 ISBA RESOLUTION NO. 6

FUNDING SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, Idaho Code currently provides voter-approved property tax measures as the only mechanism to construct schools; and

WHEREAS, this mechanism puts all the fiscal responsibility to meet the demands of student enrollment growth and school maintenance on the current property owners in a school district; and

WHEREAS, many school districts with rapidly increasing enrollment are unable to construct the facilities necessary to educate new students; and

WHEREAS, many school districts struggle to maintain existing buildings so that they are appropriate and safe educational settings;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho School Boards Association research, draft, and submit legislation that proposes supplemental mechanisms to fund school construction and maintenance.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

School districts facing rapidly increasing enrollment have only one option for the construction of new facilities – passage of a bond that places a burden on property owners. This resolution seeks supplemental mechanisms to fund school construction.

Submitted by West Ada School District No. 2

PASSED	AYES	3483
	NAYES	397
	TOTAL	3880