

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 657

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and M. Washington” and substitute “M. Washington, Afzali, and Metzgar”; in line 5, after “State” insert “subject to a certain exception”; in line 6, after “skills;” insert “authorizing certain county boards of education and certain principals and teachers to administer a certain statewide kindergarten assessment under certain circumstances;”; and in line 7, after “students” insert “subject to a certain exception”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 19, strike “A” and substitute “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A”; and in line 21, after “SAMPLE” insert “DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT”.

On page 2, after line 6, insert:

“(B) IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT EXECUTED UNDER TITLE 6, SUBTITLE 4 OR SUBTITLE 5 OF THIS ARTICLE, OR AN AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING AGREEMENT, A PRINCIPAL AND A TEACHER WHO ARE IN MUTUAL AGREEMENT OR A COUNTY BOARD MAY ADMINISTER A STATEWIDE KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF MEASURING SCHOOL READINESS IF:

(1) THE ASSESSMENT IS COMPLETED ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1 AFTER THE FIRST FULL DAY OF KINDERGARTEN; AND

(2) THE AGGREGATE RESULTS ARE RETURNED WITHIN 45 DAYS.”;

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in line 7, strike “**(B)** A” and substitute “**(C) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A**”; in the same line, strike “A” and substitute “**AN ENROLLED**”; after line 8, insert:

“(2) A STANDARDIZED TEST MAY BE ADMINISTERED TO AN ENROLLED PREKINDERGARTEN STUDENT BY A SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST OR OTHER SCHOOL-BASED PROFESSIONAL WHO INTENDS TO USE THE RESULTS IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY A DISABILITY.”;

and in line 9, strike “**(C)**” and substitute “**(D)**”.