

HB0978/934433/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 978
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “indicators;” insert “requiring one of the school quality indicators to be a certain school climate survey;”; in line 8, after “testing” insert “, subject to a certain exception”; and strike beginning with “requiring” in line 8 down through “growth” in line 13 and substitute “requiring the State Board of Education to establish a certain composite score that provides for certain differentiation; requiring a certain composite score to include certain indicators and incorporate a certain methodology; prohibiting a certain total of academic indicators from exceeding a certain percentage of a composite score; requiring a certain composite score to be calculated in a certain manner; prohibiting a certain composite score from being reported in a certain format; prohibiting certain indicators from being weighted in a certain manner; specifying that the final weights of certain indicators, subject to certain provisions of law, are determined by the State Board, with certain stakeholder input”.

On page 2, in line 2, after “circumstances;” insert “authorizing a certain plan to include a lengthening of the school year, notwithstanding certain laws, regulations, or executive orders;”; and in line 5, after “limitations;” insert “specifying that a certain decision of the Department is final;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 27, after “STUDENTS” insert “OR THE LEVEL OF STUDENT SUCCESS”; after line 27, insert:

“(II) 1. ONE OF THE SCHOOL QUALITY INDICATORS UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEYS.

(Over)

2. THE SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEYS SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE QUESTION TO EDUCATORS REGARDING THE RECEIPT OF CRITICAL INSTRUCTIONAL FEEDBACK.;

in line 28, strike “(II) SCHOOL” and substitute “(III) OTHER SCHOOL”; strike beginning with the comma in line 28 down through “TO” in line 29; and in line 33, strike “SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEYS” and substitute “ACCESS TO OR CREDIT FOR COMPLETION OF A WELL-ROUNDED CURRICULUM BY THE END OF NINTH GRADE, INCLUDING MATHEMATICS, ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, AND RELATED ARTS”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, in line 15, after “**PROGRAMS;**” insert “**AND**”; strike beginning with “**AND**” in line 16 down through “**CERTIFICATION;**” in line 17; in lines 24 and 26, strike “(III)” and “(IV) 1.”, respectively, and substitute “(IV)” and “(V)”, respectively; and in line 24, strike “THE” and substitute “**EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ITEM (III)3 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**”.

On page 6, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 10, inclusive; and after line 10, insert:

“1. THE STATE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A COMPOSITE SCORE THAT PROVIDES FOR MEANINGFUL DIFFERENTIATION OF SCHOOLS UNDER THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM.

2. THE COMPOSITE SCORE ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL:

A. INCLUDE BOTH ACADEMIC AND SCHOOL QUALITY INDICATORS; AND

B. INCORPORATE A METHODOLOGY THAT COMPARES SCHOOLS THAT SHARE SIMILAR DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, INCLUDING THE PROPORTION OF ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS, AS DEFINED BY THE STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW.

3. THE COMBINED TOTAL OF THE ACADEMIC INDICATORS MAY NOT EXCEED 55% OF THE COMPOSITE SCORE.

4. THE COMPOSITE SCORE:

A. SHALL BE CALCULATED NUMERICALLY IN A PERCENTILE FORM; AND

B. MAY NOT BE REPORTED USING A LETTER GRADE MODEL.

5. NO ACADEMIC INDICATOR MAY BE WEIGHTED AS LESS THAN 10% OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE COMPOSITE SCORE.

6. NO SCHOOL QUALITY INDICATOR DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF THIS SECTION MAY BE WEIGHTED AS LESS THAN 10% OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE COMPOSITE SCORE.

7. SUBJECT TO THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE FINAL WEIGHTS OF THE ACADEMIC AND SCHOOL QUALITY INDICATORS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE STATE BOARD, WITH STAKEHOLDER INPUT.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 8, in line 6, strike “AND (3)”; after line 24, insert:

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“(2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW, REGULATION, OR EXECUTIVE ORDER, A PLAN UNDER THIS SECTION MAY INCLUDE A LENGTHENING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR BEYOND 180 DAYS OR ANY OTHER LIMITATION.”;

and in line 25, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 9, strike lines 8 and 9 in their entirety; in lines 10 and 13, strike “(V)” and “(VI)”, respectively, and substitute “(IV)”, and “(V)”, respectively; and after line 13, insert:

“(3) A DECISION OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS FINAL.”