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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 674

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “Courses” insert “and Services”; strike beginning with “Local” in line 2 down through “Requirements” in line 3 and substitute “Development and Procurement”; strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 4 down through “Education” in line 8 and substitute “authorizing certain county boards of education to request that the State Department of Education develop and procure certain online courses and services; requiring the Department to determine within a certain period of time whether a certain delegation will be made; requiring the Department to develop and procure certain courses and services within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to delegate certain authority to certain county boards under certain circumstances; authorizing certain county boards to set certain fees under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards to remit certain fees to the Department under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards to request certain approval from the Department under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to approve or deny certain requests within a certain period of time; authorizing the State Board of Education to set reasonable fees for the costs incurred by the Department for processing approvals for online courses and services; requiring the Department to ensure that certain courses and services require certain access for certain students”; and in line 10, strike “by county boards of education”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 6, after “(1)” insert “**(I) A COUNTY BOARD MAY REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT DEVELOP AND PROCURE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**”

(II) WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE RECEIPT OF A REQUEST UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

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DETERMINE WHETHER THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROCUREMENT OF THE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES SHALL BE DELEGATED TO A COUNTY BOARD UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(III) IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT DELEGATE THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROCUREMENT OF THE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES TO A COUNTY BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AND PROCURE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION WITHIN 120 DAYS AFTER THE RECEIPT OF A REQUEST MADE BY A COUNTY BOARD UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

(2) (I);

strike beginning with “EXCEPT” in line 6 down through “Superintendent” in line 7 and substitute “SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH”; in lines 9, 10, 11, and 14, strike “(I)”, “(II)”, “(III)”, and “(IV)”, respectively, and substitute “1.”, “2.”, “3.”, and “4.”, respectively; strike in their entirety lines 16 through 23, inclusive; and after line 23, insert:

“(II) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (V) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT MAY DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND PROCURE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES TO A COUNTY BOARD.

(III) IF THE DEPARTMENT DELEGATES THE AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND PROCURE ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES TO A COUNTY BOARD, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY SET REASONABLE FEES FOR:

1. ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES; AND

2. PROCESSING THE PROCUREMENT OF ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES.

(IV) A COUNTY BOARD SHALL REMIT 15% OF THE FEES COLLECTED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH TO THE DEPARTMENT.

(V) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE OR DENY THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROCUREMENT OF ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES BY A COUNTY BOARD.

(VI) 1. A COUNTY BOARD SHALL REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT WHEN THE COUNTY BOARD HAS COMPLETED THE DEVELOPMENT AND INTENDED PROCUREMENT OF ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES.

2. WITHIN 45 DAYS AFTER A REQUEST UNDER SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE OR DENY THE DEVELOPMENT AND INTENDED PROCUREMENT.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 25, strike “ONLINE” and substitute “:

(I) ONLINE”;

in line 26, after “services” insert “;**AND**

(II) PROCESSING APPROVALS FOR ONLINE COURSES AND SERVICES”;

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On page 3, after line 13, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Department of Education shall:

(1) ensure that online courses and services developed and the specifications used in all grants and procurement contracts for online courses and services require access for students with disabilities, including blindness, in accordance with the technical standards for electronic and information technology issued under subsection (A)(2) of Section 508 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794(A)(2) or any other appropriate accessibility standard; and

(2) establish a means for ensuring that online courses and services that fail to meet the requirements of paragraph (1) of this section are prohibited from use.”;

and in line 14, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.