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AMENDMENT MEMO



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2021 Senate Bill 373 requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to create an online portal that displays financial data collected from all school districts, county children with disabilities education boards, and independent charter schools. This portal must be made available beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

Additionally, the bill creates an 11-person advisory committee to advise DPI in its development of the financial information portal. The bill requires this advisory committee to develop a report that includes recommendations on the categories of information that will be accessible to the public through the portal; the financial data that will be accessible to the public for each of those categories; the resources necessary to implement and maintain the portal; and recommendations regarding DPI's technological capacity for collecting data for the portal. This report must be submitted to DPI no later than April 15, 2023.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 changes the date by which the advisory committee must submit its report to DPI from April 15, 2023 to February 1, 2023.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2

Senate Amendment 2 provides that the advisory committee's report and recommendations may not require school districts to make additional or specific investments in or replacement to the hardware, software, or systems school districts use to provide data to the department.

BILL HISTORY

Senator Felzkowski offered both Senate Amendments 1 and 2 on September 9, 2021. On September 24, 2021, the Senate Committee on Education recommended adoption of Senate Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes 5; Noes, 2, and Senate Amendment 2 on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0, and passage of Senate Bill 373, as amended, on a vote of Ayes 4, Noes, 3.

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