



## Education Legislation Introduced in 2020

Week of January 20, 2020

### SB1760 Encourages LEA partnerships with nonprofits.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Reeves, Shane ,  
**Summary:** Encourages local boards of education to develop partnerships with nonprofit youth leadership and development organizations in their community to permit the use of school buildings and school property at a reduced fee or at no cost to the nonprofit organization.  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/22/20

### SB1785 OREA study of before and after school programs.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Kyle, Sara ,  
**Summary:** Requires the office of research and education accountability (OREA) in the office of the comptroller, with the assistance of the department of education, to conduct a comprehensive study of before and after school programs available to students in any of the grades kindergarten through twelve. Requires OREA to report the findings from the study to the education committees of the senate and the house, the speaker of the senate, and the speaker of the house by February 1, 2021.  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/23/20

### SB1790/HB1835 LEA funding of a grow your own program.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Powers, Bill , Rep. Johnson, Curtis  
**Summary:** Allows the commissioner of the department of education, upon request by an LEA, to grant a waiver from the average class size limits established to assist the LEA in funding a grow your own program pursuant to criteria established by the department.  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/23/20, H: 01/23/20

### SB1813/HB1855 LEAs to install technology on computers to block inappropriate websites.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Casada, Glen  
**Summary:** Requires each LEA to install technology on each of the LEAs computers to filter or block access to inappropriate websites and information accessible through the internet, including materials that the LEA deems harmful to juveniles, child pornography, and obscenity. Requires each LEA to review its internet acceptable use policy and the technology installed on its computers to filter or block inappropriate websites and information otherwise accessible through the internet no later than January 1, 2021, and at least once every three years thereafter.

### SB1815/HB1833 Limits the number of TCAP tests that can be administered.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Cepicky, Scott  
**Summary:** Limits the number of TCAP tests administered to students in grades three through 12. Clarifies that this section does not prohibit LEAs or public charter schools from administering additional assessments, regardless of the subject matter or grade level or prohibit the administration of the project-based assessments in civics required by statute.  
**Intro Dates:** H: 01/23/20

### SB1842 Requires all funds received by public charters schools to be reported.

**Sponsors:** Sen. Akbari, Raumesh ,  
**Summary:** Requires the governing body of a public charter school to submit an annual report to the commissioner of education that includes the amount and source of all funds received. Requires the department of education to post the report on the department's website. Broadly captioned.

### HB1795 Alternative school program located on same grounds as regular school program.

**Sponsors:** Rep. Holsclaw, Jr., John  
**Summary:** Prohibits a student in grades seven through 12 who has been suspended or expelled from the regular school program for an offense of violence or threatened violence or an offense that threatened the safety of persons attending the student's school from being assigned to an alternative school or alternative program if the alternative school or alternative program is located on the same grounds as the regular school program from which the student was suspended or expelled.  
**Intro Dates:** H: 01/22/20

### HB1822 Establishes LEA requirements for advanced mathematics education.

**Sponsors:** Rep. Dixie, Vincent  
**Summary:** Requires LEAs that serve grades 3-12 to offer advanced mathematics courses for each grade 3-12. Students must be placed in advanced mathematics courses based on their end-of-course (EOC) exam results for their most recently enrolled mathematics course. Students in seventh grade meeting the required benchmark for advanced mathematics courses must be enrolled in high school level courses and no LEA may remove a student from an advanced mathematics course unless the parent or guardian requests in writing for the student's removal. By October 1 of each year starting with 2021, the department of education is required to submit a report to the education committees in the house of representatives and senate, which must include the number of eligible students, courses offered, and feedback regarding the implementation of these requirements. Broadly captioned.  
**Intro Dates:** H: 01/23/20

### HB1824 Enforcement of traffic ordinances at public higher education institutions.

**Sponsors:** Rep. Coley, Jim  
**Summary:** Reduces from 30 to ten the number of days a municipal corporation must wait before enforcing or ceasing to enforce traffic ordinances on the campus of a public institution of higher education within its borders after receiving a request from the institution. Broadly captioned.  
**Intro Dates:** H: 01/23/20

### HB1826 Development of formative assessment questions banks for LEAs.

**Sponsors:** Rep. Haston, Kirk  
**Summary:** Requires the commissioner of the department of education to produce a formative assessment question bank which is aligned to the summative assessment and requires the commissioner to make the formative assessment question banks available to LEAs during the school year. Specifies that LEAs shall have complete authority over the use of the formative assessment question banks.

*Intro Dates:* H: 01/23/20

**HB1827 Proposed textbooks to be shown on department's website for inspection by LEAs and public.**

*Sponsors:* Rep. Haston, Kirk

*Summary:* Requires publishers to make all textbooks and instructional materials proposed for adoption available on the department of education's website or the state textbook depository's website for inspection by LEAs and the public.

*Intro Dates:* H: 01/23/20

**HB1839 Public institutions of higher education - contracts with foreign entities.**

*Sponsors:* Rep. Daniel, Martin

*Summary:* Prohibits a governing board of a public institution of higher education from contracting or affiliating with a foreign entity for the foreign entity to provide or establish a program at the public institution of higher education. Defines a "foreign entity" to mean a foreign nation; a political subdivision of a foreign nation; or an organization sponsored, operated, or funded by a foreign nation. Clarifies that nothing in this act shall be construed to abridge or impair a contract or agreement executed before the effective date of this act. Specifies that any such contract or agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the contract or agreement.

*Intro Dates:* H: 01/23/20