

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

May 7, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1428 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 4, line 6, strike "ASSESSMENTS;" and
2 substitute "ASSESSMENTS, INCLUDING THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF
3 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN ONLINE SCHOOLS OR ONLINE PROGRAMS WHO OPT
4 OUT OF STATE ASSESSMENTS, AS PERMITTED UNDER STATE LAW;".

5 Page 5, after line 3 insert:

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7 "(4) (a) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE QUALITY
8 OF ONLINE PROGRAMS AND ONLINE SCHOOLS, LOCAL EDUCATION
9 PROVIDERS MAY SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS ABOUT ONLINE
10 PROGRAMS AND ONLINE SCHOOLS THAT INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED
11 TO:

12 (I) INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH MEASURED
13 YEAR-OVER-YEAR;

14 (II) INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PROGRESS TOWARD GRADUATION EACH
15 ACADEMIC YEAR;

16 (III) SCHOOL LEVEL PROGRAMS FOCUSED ON ONBOARDING,
17 STUDENT SUPPORT, AND LEARNER ENGAGEMENT;

18 (IV) HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMMING DESIGNED TO EQUIP STUDENTS
19 FOR EMPLOYMENT, MILITARY ENLISTMENT, OR HIGHER EDUCATION; AND

20 (V) ALIGNMENT OF PROGRAM OFFERINGS TO NATIONAL
21 STANDARDS IN ONLINE LEARNING, SUCH AS NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR
22 QUALITY ONLINE PROGRAMS.

23 (b) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE COST OF
24 ONLINE PROGRAMS AND ONLINE SCHOOLS, LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS
25 MAY SUBMIT ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES UNIQUE TO ONLINE SCHOOLS
26 AND ONLINE PROGRAMS AND AN ANALYSIS OF THE AMOUNT OF OVERALL

1 FUNDING RECEIVED ON A PER PUPIL BASIS FOR THE STUDENTS ENROLLED
2 IN ONLINE SCHOOLS AND ONLINE PROGRAMS COMPARED TO THE AMOUNT
3 OF OVERALL FUNDING, INCLUDING, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, LOCAL, STATE,
4 AND FEDERAL FUNDING; CATEGORICAL FUNDING; AND WEIGHTED FUNDING
5 RECEIVED ON A PER-PUPIL BASIS FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN
6 TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

7 (c) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE ENROLLMENT
8 OF ONLINE PROGRAMS AND ONLINE SCHOOLS, LOCAL EDUCATION
9 PROVIDERS MAY SUBMIT INFORMATION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION
10 DISAGGREGATED BY OVERALL ENROLLMENT, ECONOMICALLY
11 DISADVANTAGED STATUS, ACADEMIC STANDING AT ENROLLMENT,
12 UNDER-CREDITED STATUS AT ENROLLMENT, MOBILITY, AND REASON FOR
13 ENROLLMENT."

14 Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

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