OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis   Mike Niemi

H.B. 477
132nd General Assembly
(As Passed by House)

Reps. Koehler, Thompson, Sweeney, Becker, Ingram, Vitale, Hambley, Brenner, Anielski, Blessing, Dean, Dever, Green, Henne, Hoops, Lang, Patton, Reineke, Riedel, Ryan, Scherer, R. Smith

BILL SUMMARY

- Amends or repeals sections in the Revised Code to eliminate various provisions and programs that relate to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill eliminates several provisions regarding the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools.

Repealed provisions

Section number	Description
R.C. 3301.073	Requires the State Board of Education to furnish technical assistance regarding financial documents to school districts upon request.
R.C. 3301.0722	Requires new or modified forms used by the Department of Education to be reviewed by an education data management unit established by the Department.[1]
R.C. 3301.111	Requires the State Board to submit to the Governor and the House and Senate Education Committee chairs a report regarding the Board's efforts to focus on major policy issues and its delegation to the State Superintendent.
R.C. 3301.21	Creates the State Action for Education Leadership Fund in the State Treasury.
R.C. 3301.25	Requires the Department to distribute videotape copies of the Ohio Veterans Plaza Dedication and a related book to each secondary school in Ohio.

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[1] Conforming change in R.C. 3301.133.

Section number	Description
R.C. 3301.86	Creates the Classroom Reading Improvement Grants Program.[2]
R.C. 3301.88	Regarding criminal records checks for applicants that volunteered to help in the Classroom Reading Improvement Grants Program.[3]
R.C. 3301.95	Requirement that school districts that received Title I, special education, and technology funds under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 distribute equitable amounts to nonpublic schools as provided under federal law.
R.C. 3301.96	Requirement that school districts that received federal Race to the Top grants maintain a linkage coordinator and engage in other activities for closing the achievement gap and increasing the graduation rate or have a family and civic engagement team (as provided under former law) for the life of the grant award.
R.C. 3302.037	Requires the Department of Education, by December 1, 2016, to conduct a study evaluating the validity and usefulness of using the "similar students measure" to calculate student academic progress, using a regression model to take into account demographic differences, for each public school.
R.C. 3302.30	Creates the Columbiana County Multitrack High School Curriculum Pilot Project.
R.C. 3311.061	Expresses the General Assembly's intent in authorizing urban-suburban school district annexation agreements for territory transfer under R.C. 3311.06, as amended by S.B. 298 of the 116th General Assembly (1986).
R.C. 3313.206	Requirements for establishing or maintaining a McGruff safe house for students.[4]
R.C. 3313.711	Applies provisions regarding student health examinations in R.C. 3313.71 to nonpublic schools. The bill maintains the requirement by relocating it to R.C. 3313.71.[5]

Amended provisions

Section number	Description
R.C. 3302.26	The Department of Education is required to create a performance management section on its public website to provide information on performance metrics for each school district. The amendment requires the Department to place this section in a prominent location on the website.

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[2] Conforming change in R.C. 109.57(F)(5).

[3] Conforming change in R.C. 109.57(F)(5).

[4] Conforming change in R.C. 2917.46.

[5] Conforming change in R.C. 3313.71.

Section number	Description
R.C. 3313.753	Removes pocket pagers from provisions regarding electronic devices that school districts may prohibit students from carrying at school.

HISTORY

ACTION   DATE

Introduced   01-23-18
Reported, H. Education & Career Readiness   03-21-18
Passed House (93-0)   06-20-18