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#### **SUMMARY**

 Requires the Educational Regional Service System to provide services for English Learners and services related to reading and instruction to school districts, community schools, and chartered nonpublic schools.

### DETAILED ANALYSIS

### **Educational Regional Service System services**

The bill expands the types of services the Educational Regional Service System (ERSS) must provide school districts, community schools, and chartered nonpublic schools. It requires ERSS to provide services for English learners and services related to reading and literacy.<sup>1</sup>

ERSS supports state and regional education initiatives and efforts to improve school effectiveness and student achievement. As part of its mission, ERSS must provide services, including special education and related services, to districts and schools.<sup>2</sup>

Under federal law, an "English learner" is a student who has difficulty with the English language because the student, who may be new to the United States or a Native American or Alaska Native, has a first language other than English at home.<sup>3</sup> Generally, federal and state law require accommodations and supports be provided to English learners.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> R.C. 3312.01(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> R.C. 3312.01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 20 United States Code 7801(20).

# **HISTORY**

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