

**PUBLIC EDUCATION FINANCIAL REPORTING****AMENDMENTS**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE****General Description:**

This bill provides for revisions in annual financial and accounting reports to the State Board of Education.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- provides for a local education agency to make revisions in annual financial and accounting reports to the State Board of Education.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:****AMENDS:**

**53E-3-501**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 83 and 186

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **53E-3-501** is amended to read:

**53E-3-501. State board to establish miscellaneous minimum standards for public schools.**



(1) The state board shall establish rules and minimum standards for the public schools that are consistent with this public education code, including rules and minimum standards governing the following:

(a) (i) the qualification and certification of educators and ancillary personnel who provide direct student services;

(ii) required school administrative and supervisory services; and

(iii) the evaluation of instructional personnel;

(b) (i) access to programs;

(ii) attendance;

(iii) competency levels;

(iv) graduation requirements; and

(v) discipline and control;

(c) (i) school accreditation;

(ii) the academic year;

(iii) alternative and pilot programs;

(iv) curriculum and instruction requirements;

(v) school libraries; and

(vi) services to:

(A) persons with a disability as defined by and covered under:

(I) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 12102;

(II) the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. Sec. 705(20)(A); and

(III) the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1401(3); and

(B) other special groups;

(d) (i) state reimbursed bus routes;

(ii) bus safety and operational requirements; and

(iii) other transportation needs;

(e) (i) school productivity and cost effectiveness measures;

(ii) federal programs;

(iii) school budget formats; and

(iv) financial, statistical, and student accounting requirements; and

(f) data collection and reporting by LEAs.

59 (2) The state board shall determine if:

60 (a) the minimum standards have been met; and

61 (b) required reports are properly submitted.

62 (3) The state board may apply for, receive, administer, and distribute to eligible  
63 applicants funds made available through programs of the federal government.

64 (4) (a) A technical college listed in Section 53B-2a-105 shall provide  
65 competency-based career and technical education courses that fulfill high school graduation  
66 requirements, as requested and authorized by the state board.

67 (b) A school district may grant a high school diploma to a student participating in a  
68 course described in Subsection (4)(a) that is provided by a technical college listed in Section  
69 53B-2a-105.

70 (5) (a) The state board shall ensure that the rules and standards described in  
71 Subsections (1)(e) and (f) allow for an LEA to make revisions to program accounting,  
72 including in coding, in order to balance an annual program report or an annual financial report  
73 at the close of a given fiscal year.

74 (b) If the state board determines under Subsection (2) that an LEA has not met the  
75 minimum standards described in Subsection (1)(e) or (f) or has not properly submitted a  
76 required report, the state board shall allow the LEA an opportunity to cure the relevant defect  
77 through the revisions described in Subsection (5)(a).