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Representative Jim Bird proposes the following substitute bill:

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR SCHOOLS

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Jim Bird

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the duties of local school boards, relating to health insurance, in the State System of Public Education Code.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ requires local school boards and charter schools to seek competitive bids from at least three producers or insurance consultants, on the health insurance benefits ~~it offers~~ they offer school district employees beginning in the 2013-14 school year and every five years thereafter; and
- ▶ establishes criteria for the competitive bids for health care benefits.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

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None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

53A-3-430, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **53A-3-430** is enacted to read:

53A-3-430. Health care benefits for school district employees -- Competitive bids.

(1) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Health care benefit":

(i) is as defined in Section 31A-1-301; and

(ii) includes:

(A) dental and vision benefits; and

(B) a plan offered to a local school district under Title 49, Chapter 20, Public

Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program Act.

(b) "Insurance consultant" is as defined in Section 31A-1-301.

(~~f~~~~b~~~~c~~) "Insurer" includes:

(i) an insurer regulated under Title 31A, Insurance Code;

(ii) a plan offered under Title 49, Chapter 20, Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance

Program Act; and

(iii) a third party administrator as defined in Section 31A-1-301.

(~~f~~~~c~~~~d~~) "Local school board" includes a charter school governing board.

(e) "Producer" is as defined in 31A-1-301.

(f) "Self-insurance" is as defined in Section 31A-1-301.

(2) (a) A local school board may provide health care benefits to the school district's employees.

(b) A local school board may contract and cooperate with other local school boards to provide health care benefits to the school district's employees.

(3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(c), a local school board that provides

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health care benefits to the school district's employees, or a group of local school boards joining together to provide health care benefits to their school districts' employees shall ~~in~~ accordance with Subsection (4), ~~issue a request for ~~proposal~~ proposals and seek competitive bids for the health care benefits offered to employees in the ~~2013-14 school year.~~~~

~~2013-2014 school year from:~~

(i) at least three producers, in accordance with Subsection (4); or

(ii) from at least three insurance consultants, if the local school board or group of local school boards joining together provide benefits to their school districts' employees through a self-insurance plan.

(b) A local school board, or a group of local school boards joining together, that awards a contract for health care benefits for the school district's employees after issuing a request for ~~proposal~~ proposals under Subsection (3)(a) shall, ~~every~~ at least five years thereafter, seek competitive bids for the contract for health care benefits ~~in accordance with Subsection (4).~~

(c) If a local school board, or a group of local school boards joining together, issued a request for ~~proposal~~ proposals for health care benefits for school district employees ~~for~~ within the ~~2012-13 school year~~ last five years, the local school board ~~,~~ or a group of local school boards joining together, is not required to issue a request for proposal under Subsection (3)(a) until the 2017-18 school year. The local school board, or a group of local school boards joining together, may, at its discretion, issue a request for ~~proposal~~ proposals under Subsection (3)(a) sooner than the 2017-18 school year.

(4) A request for proposals under Subsection (3)(a)(i) shall provide that the school board and school district will not pay fees to the producer unless the school board, or a group of local school boards joining together, selects the health insurance plan submitted by the producer.

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Legislative Review Note

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~~Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel~~ (5) A local school board, or a group of local school boards joining together shall, after issuing a request for proposals under Subsection (3) make information available to the public regarding the competitive bids received in response to the request for proposals.