

1                                   **FRONT-LINE TEACHERS DATA PROGRAM**

2   2014 GENERAL SESSION

3   STATE OF UTAH

4   **Chief Sponsor: Jim Nielson**

5   Senate Sponsor: Stuart C. Reid

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7   **LONG TITLE**

8   **General Description:**

9           This bill establishes reporting requirements for school districts, charter schools, and the  
10 State Board of Education related to quantifying the number of certain teachers.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12           This bill:

13           ▶ requires school districts and charter schools to report data to the State Board of  
14 Education on the allocation of resources for front-line teachers.

15 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

16           None

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18           None

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 ENACTS:

21           **53A-1-414**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

22           **53A-1-415**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

25           Section 1. Section **53A-1-414** is enacted to read:

26           **53A-1-414. Definitions.**

27           For purposes of Sections **53A-1-414** and **53A-1-415**:



28 (1) (a) "Front-line teacher" means a licensed teacher who has an assignment to teach a  
29 kindergarten, elementary, secondary, or special education course.

30 (b) "Front-line teacher" does not include a prekindergarten teacher, a school-based  
31 specialist, or a classroom aide.

32 (2) "LEA compensation percentage" means the amount of money from an LEA's  
33 general fund expended for front-line teachers, including benefits, divided by the LEA's total  
34 general fund, excluding money expended for:

35 (a) capital outlay or debt service;

36 (b) pupil transportation; and

37 (c) custodial and maintenance expenses.

38 (3) "LEA front-line teacher percentage" means the number of full-time equivalent  
39 front-line teachers in an LEA divided by the total number of full-time equivalent employees in  
40 an LEA, excluding employees associated with pupil transportation, capital facilities  
41 construction, and custodial and maintenance.

42 (4) "LEA percentage" means the average of an LEA's compensation percentage and the  
43 LEA's front-line teacher percentage.

44 (5) "Local education agency" or "LEA" means a school district or charter school.

45 (6) "Statewide compensation percentage" means the amount of money from all LEAs'  
46 general funds expended for front-line teachers, including benefits, divided by all LEAs' total  
47 general funds, excluding money expended for:

48 (a) capital outlay or debt service;

49 (b) pupil transportation; and

50 (c) custodial and maintenance.

51 (7) "Statewide front-line teacher percentage" means the number of full-time equivalent  
52 front-line teachers in all LEAs divided by the total number of full-time equivalent employees in  
53 all LEAs, excluding employees associated with pupil transportation, capital facilities  
54 construction, and custodial and maintenance.

55 (8) "Statewide percentage" means the average of the statewide compensation  
56 percentage and the statewide front-line teacher percentage.

57 Section 2. Section **53A-1-415** is enacted to read:

58 **53A-1-415. Reporting requirements and data collection related to front-line**

59 **teachers -- Audit procedures.**

60 (1) (a) An LEA shall report all information as required in this section.

61 (b) The information reported in accordance with this section shall be from the previous  
62 school year.

63 (2) (a) An LEA shall report all necessary data to the State Board of Education for  
64 purposes of calculating the percentages defined in Section [53A-1-414](#).

65 (b) An LEA shall report the following data to the State Board of Education:

66 (i) the LEA's total number of FTE front-line teachers; and

67 (ii) the LEA's average class size for:

68 (A) elementary school;

69 (B) middle or junior high school; and

70 (C) high school.

71 (c) The State Board of Education shall make rules specifying how an LEA shall report  
72 the required data for purposes of this Subsection (2) ensuring the data is comparable.

73 (3) By the November 2014 interim meeting, the State Board of Education shall report  
74 to the Education Interim Committee:

75 (a) the statewide and LEA percentages defined in Section [53A-1-414](#);

76 (b) all underlying data submitted by the LEAs described in Subsection (2); and

77 (c) the average daily membership of each LEA, as reported in the most recent state  
78 superintendent's report.

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