

**STATEWIDE ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAM REVISIONS**

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Daniel W. Thatcher**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies provisions related to the dissemination of information on the Statewide Online Education Program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ requires the State Board of Education to develop a notice about the Statewide Online Education Program; and
- ▶ requires a local education agency that enrolls eligible students to distribute the notice as a full page ~~§~~ **→ [at the front of] in a prominent location in ←** ~~§~~ its registration materials and publish the notice in a prominent location on its website.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**53A-15-1212**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 238

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

Section 1. Section **53A-15-1212** is amended to read:



28           **53A-15-1212. Dissemination of information on the Statewide Online Education**  
29 **Program.**

30           (1) The State Board of Education shall develop a website for the Statewide Online  
31 Education Program which shall include:

- 32           (a) a description of the Statewide Online Education Program, including its purposes;
- 33           (b) information on who is eligible to enroll, and how an eligible student may enroll, in  
34 an online course;
- 35           (c) a directory of online course providers;
- 36           (d) a link to a course catalog for each online course provider; and
- 37           (e) a report on the performance of online course providers as required by Section

38 [53A-15-1211.](#)

39           (2) An online course provider shall provide the following information on the online  
40 course provider's website:

- 41           (a) a description of the Statewide Online Education Program, including its purposes;
- 42           (b) information on who is eligible to enroll, and how an eligible student may enroll, in  
43 an online course;
- 44           (c) a course catalog;
- 45           (d) scores aggregated by test on statewide assessments administered under Chapter 1,  
46 Part 6, Achievement Tests, taken by students at the end of an online course offered through the  
47 Statewide Online Education Program;
- 48           (e) the percentage of an online course provider's students who complete online courses  
49 within the applicable time period specified in Subsection [53A-15-1206\(4\)\(c\)](#);
- 50           (f) the percentage of an online course provider's students who complete online courses  
51 after the applicable time period specified in Subsection [53A-15-1206\(4\)\(c\)](#) and before the  
52 student graduates from high school; and
- 53           (g) the online learning provider's pupil-teacher ratio for the online courses combined.

54           (3) The State Board of Education shall develop a notice about the Statewide Online  
55 Education Program that includes:

- 56           (a) a description of the Statewide Online Education Program, including its purposes;
- 57           (b) information on who is eligible to enroll; and
- 58           (c) information on how an eligible student may enroll, including how to enroll through

59 an online course provider directly ~~§~~→ **and any other available enrollment method** ←~~§~~ .  
60 (4) An LEA that enrolls eligible students shall ~~H~~→ :  
60a (a) ←~~H~~ distribute the notice described in  
61 Subsection (3) as a full page ~~§~~→ **[at the front of] in a prominent location in** ←~~§~~ the LEA's  
61a registration materials ~~H~~→ **that are provided to eligible students;** ←~~H~~ and  
61b ~~H~~→ (b) ←~~H~~ publish the  
62 notice in a prominent location on the LEA's website.

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