

Representative LaVar Christensen proposes the following substitute bill:

UTAH PUBLIC EDUCATION REVIEW AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

2017 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: LaVar Christensen

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill extends the time and enacts provisions as necessary to complete the review and strategic planning for Utah's public education system.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► requires the State Board of Education to:

• work with the legislative auditor to review the effectiveness of education policies and programs by November 30, 2018; and

• prepare and submit a complete and updated 10-year plan to the Education Interim Committee by November 30, 2019; and

► requires the Education Interim Committee to review the updated and revised

10-year plan, recommend changes, and consider legislation that would implement the updated 10-year plan.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:



26 ENACTS:

27 [53A-1-103](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

30 Section 1. Section **53A-1-103** is enacted to read:

31 **53A-1-103. Comprehensive review of education policies and programs.**

32 (1) (a) As provided in Section [53A-1-101](#), the state public education system is
33 responsible for and committed to achieving and upholding best practices and the most effective
34 and efficient measures for the highest quality education of Utah's students.

35 (b) To fully and timely accomplish the provisions and requirements of Section
36 [53A-1-102.5](#), the following provisions are adopted.

37 (2) (a) Before November 30, 2018, the State Board of Education shall supplement,
38 update, and complete the reports required by Section [53A-1-102.5](#) by providing a
39 comprehensive and substantive analysis of the educational policies and programs and the
40 resulting performance history of the state public education system.

41 (b) The State Board of Education shall coordinate with the legislative auditor to
42 provide program audit findings and recommendations and to fulfill the requirements of this
43 section and Section [53A-1-102.5](#).

44 (3) (a) Before November 30, 2019, the State Board of Education shall:

45 (i) revise, update, and supplement the 10-year plan provided in Section [53A-1-102.5](#)
46 based on the program audit findings and recommendations authorized and provided in
47 Subsection (2)(b); and

48 (ii) present the completed and updated proposed 10-year plan for Utah's public
49 education system to the Education Interim Committee, including:

50 (A) recommendations for the repeal of prior provisions of code that are outdated and
51 no longer applicable or necessary; and

52 (B) recommendations to facilitate the recodification of Title 53A, State System of
53 Public Education, by the Legislature before July, 2020.

54 (b) The completed and updated 10-year plan shall be prepared and presented by the
55 State Board of Education following and based on thorough and careful consideration of the
56 supporting supplemental report and history, as provided in this section.

57 (c) (i) As fundamentally stated and recognized in Section 53A-1-101, civic readiness
58 and informed and responsible citizenship shall also be a significant focus and guiding principle
59 of public education in the state.

60 (ii) The focus and principles as referenced in Subsection (c)(i) shall be included in the
61 development and implementation of the completed and updated 10-year plan provided in this
62 section.

63 (4) (a) The Education Interim Committee shall:

64 (i) hear and receive from the State Board of Education and the legislative auditor the
65 supporting report and recommendations upon which the completed and updated 10-year plan is
66 to be based;

67 (ii) recommend changes to the updated 10-year plan; and

68 (iii) consider legislation, if necessary, to implement the completed and updated 10-year
69 plan.

70 (b) All efforts leading up to final adoption of the completed and updated 10-year plan,
71 including all periodic updates thereafter, as provided in Subsection 53A-1-102.5 (2), shall
72 reflect the ongoing collaboration of the elected representatives of the parents of the students
73 throughout the state as described in Section 53A-1-101.