PARTNERSHIPS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAM
AMENDMENTS
2020 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Ann Millner
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill requires the State Board of Education to annually evaluate a partnership that
receives a grant under the Partnerships for Student Success Program.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
 requires the State Board of Education to anually:
• evaluate a partnership that receives a grant under the Partnerships for Student
Success Program; and
• prepare a written report of an evaluation and submit the report to the Education
Interim Committee.
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
This bill provides a coordination clause.
Utah Code Sections Affected:
AMENDS:
53E-1-201, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 324 and last amended by
Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 41, 205, 223, 342, 446, and 476
53F-5-403, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 186
53F-5-405, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 186 and 324

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Utah Code Sections Affected by Coordination Clause:
53E-1-201, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 324 and last amended by
Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 41, 205, 223, 342, 446, and 476
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
Section 1. Section 53E-1-201 is amended to read:
53E-1-201. Reports to and action required of the Education Interim Committee.
(1) In accordance with applicable provisions and Section 68-3-14, the following
recurring reports are due to the Education Interim Committee:
(a) the report described in Section 9-22-109 by the STEM Action Center Board,
including the information described in Section <u>9-22-113</u> on the status of the computer science
initiative and Section 9-22-114 on the Computing Partnerships Grants Program;
[(a)] (b) the prioritized list of data research described in Section 35A-14-302 and the
report on research described in Section 35A-14-304 by the Utah Data Research Center;
[(b)] (c) the report described in Section 35A-15-303 by the State Board of Education of
preschool programs;
[(c)] (d) the report described in Section 53B-1-103 by the State Board of Regents on
career and technical education issues and addressing workforce needs;
[(d)] (e) the report described in Section 53B-1-107 by the State Board of Regents on
the activities of the State Board of Regents;
[(e)] (f) the report described in Section 53B-2a-104 by the Utah System of Technical
Colleges Board of Trustees on career and technical education issues;
[(f)] (g) the reports described in Section 53B-28-401 by the State Board of Regents and
the Utah System of Technical Colleges Board of Trustees regarding activities related to campu
safety;
[(g)] (h) the State Superintendent's Annual Report by the state board described in
Section 53E-1-203;

56	$\left[\frac{(h)}{(1)}\right]$ the annual report described in Section 53E-2-202 by the state board on the
57	strategic plan to improve student outcomes;
58	[(i)] (j) the report described in Section 53E-8-204 by the state board on the Utah
59	Schools for the Deaf and the Blind;
60	$[\frac{(1)}{(k)}]$ the report described in Section 53E-10-703 by the Utah Leading through
61	Effective, Actionable, and Dynamic Education director on research and other activities;
62	$\left[\frac{k}{l}\right]$ (1) the report described in Section 53F-4-203 by the state board and the
63	independent evaluator on an evaluation of early interactive reading software;
64	[(+)] (m) the report described in Section 53F-4-407 by the state board on UPSTART;
65	and
66	[(m)] (n) the report described in Section 53F-5-405 by [an independent evaluator] the
67	State Board of Education regarding an evaluation of a partnership that receives a grant to
68	improve educational outcomes for students who are low income[; and].
69	[(n) the report described in Section 63N-12-208 by the STEM Action Center Board,
70	including the information described in Section 63N-12-213 on the status of the computer
71	science initiative and Section 63N-12-214 on the Computing Partnerships Grants Program.]
72	(2) In accordance with applicable provisions and Section 68-3-14, the following
73	occasional reports are due to the Education Interim Committee:
74	(a) the report described in Section 35A-15-303 by the School Readiness Board by
75	November 30, 2020, on benchmarks for certain preschool programs;
76	(b) the report described in Section $53E-3-519$ by the state board regarding counseling
77	services in schools;
78	(c) the reports described in Section $53E-3-520$ by the state board regarding cost centers
79	and implementing activity based costing;
80	(d) if required, the report described in Section $53E-4-309$ by the state board explaining
81	the reasons for changing the grade level specification for the administration of specific
82	assessments;

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83	(e) if required, the report described in Section $53E-5-210$ by the state board of an
84	adjustment to the minimum level that demonstrates proficiency for each statewide assessment;
85	(f) the report described in Section 53E-10-702 by Utah Leading through Effective,
86	Actionable, and Dynamic Education;
87	(g) the report described in Section $53F-2-502$ by the state board on the program
88	evaluation of the dual language immersion program;
89	(h) if required, the report described in Section $53F-2-513$ by the state board evaluating
90	the effects of salary bonuses on the recruitment and retention of effective teachers in high
91	poverty schools;
92	(i) upon request, the report described in Section $53F-5-207$ by the state board on the
93	Intergenerational Poverty Intervention Grants Program;
94	(j) the report described in Section $53F-5-210$ by the state board on the Educational
95	Improvement Opportunities Outside of the Regular School Day Grant Program;
96	(k) the reports described in Section $53G-11-304$ by the state board regarding proposed
97	rules and results related to educator exit surveys;
98	(l) upon request, the report described in Section $53G-11-505$ by the state board on
99	progress in implementing employee evaluations;
100	(m) the report described in Section $62A-15-117$ by the Division of Substance Abuse
101	and Mental Health, the State Board of Education, and the Department of Health regarding
102	recommendations related to Medicaid reimbursement for school-based health services; and
103	(n) the reports described in Section $63C-19-202$ by the Higher Education Strategic
104	Planning Commission.
105	(3) In accordance with Section 53B-7-705, the Education Interim Committee shall
106	complete the review of the implementation of performance funding.
107	Section 2. Section 53F-5-403 is amended to read:
108	53F-5-403. Matching funds Grantee requirements.
109	(1) (a) The state board may not award a grant to an eligible partnership unless the

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110	eligible partnership provides matching funds equal to two times the amount of the grant.
111	(b) The state board shall ensure that at least half of the matching funds provided under
112	Subsection (1)(a) are provided by a local education agency.
113	(c) Matching funds may include cash or an in-kind contribution.
114	(2) A partnership that receives a grant under this part shall:
115	(a) select and contract with a technical assistance provider identified by the state board
116	as described in Section 53F-5-404;
117	(b) continually assess progress toward reaching shared goals and outcomes;
118	(c) publish results of the continual assessment described in Subsection (2)(b) on an
119	annual basis; <u>and</u>
120	(d) regularly report to the state board in accordance with rules established by the state
121	board under Section 53F-5-406[; and].
122	[(e) as requested, share information and data with the third party evaluator described in
123	Section 53F-5-405, in accordance with state and federal law.]
124	(3) A partnership that receives a grant under this part may use grant funds only for the
125	following purposes:
126	(a) to contract with a technical assistance provider identified by the state board as
127	described in Section 53F-5-404; and
128	(b) to plan or implement a partnership, including:
129	(i) for project management;
130	(ii) for planning and adaptation of services and strategies;
131	(iii) to coordinate services;
132	(iv) to establish and implement shared measurement practices;
133	(v) to produce communication materials and conduct outreach activities to build public
134	support;
135	(vi) to establish data privacy and sharing agreements, in accordance with state and

136 federal law;

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137	(vii) to purchase infrastructure, hardware, and software to collect and store data; or
138	(viii) to analyze data.
139	(4) (a) The state board shall establish interventions for a partnership that:
140	(i) fails to comply with the requirements described in this section; or
141	(ii) is not making progress toward reaching the shared goals and outcomes established
142	by the partnership as described in Section 53F-5-402.
143	(b) An intervention under Subsection (4)(a) may include discontinuing or reducing
144	funding.
145	Section 3. Section 53F-5-405 is amended to read:
146	53F-5-405. Evaluation Reporting.
147	(1) [In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code, the] The state
148	board shall [contract with an independent evaluator to] annually evaluate a partnership that
149	receives a grant under this part.
150	(2) The evaluation described in Subsection (1) shall:
151	(a) assess implementation of a partnership, including the extent to which members of a
152	partnership:
153	(i) share data to align and improve efforts focused on student success; and
154	(ii) meet regularly and communicate authentically; and
155	(b) assess the impact of a partnership on student outcomes using appropriate statistical
156	evaluation methods.
157	[(3) In identifying an independent evaluator under Subsection (1), the state board shall
158	identify an evaluator that:]
159	[(a) has a credible track record of conducting evaluations as described in Subsection
160	(2); and]
161	[(b) is independent of any member of the partnership and does not otherwise have a
162	vested interest in the outcome of the evaluation.]
163	[(4) Beginning in the 2017-18 school year, the state board shall ensure that the

164	independent evaluator:]
165	(3) Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, the state board shall:
166	(a) [prepares] prepare an annual written report of an evaluation conducted under this
167	section; and
168	(b) [submits] submit the report in accordance with Section 53E-1-201.
169	(4) The state board may use up to 6% of money appropriated for the purposes
170	described in this part to pay for administrative costs incurred in implementing the Partnerships
171	for Student Success Grant Program, including costs to conduct the evaluation described in
172	Subsection (1).
173	Section 4. Coordinating S.B. 137 with S.B. 72 Superseding technical and
174	substantive amendments.
175	If this S.B. 137 and S.B. 72, Revisor's Technical Corrections to Utah Code, both pass
176	and become law, it is the intent of the Legislature that the amendments to Section 53E-1-201 in
177	S.B. 137 supersede the amendments to Section 53E-1-201 in S.B. 72, when the Office of
178	Legislative Research and General Counsel prepares the Utah Code database for publication.