

1 **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL EDUCATION**

2 **AGENCIES**

3 2021 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Susan Pulsipher**

6 Senate Sponsor: Lincoln Fillmore



8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill requires the State Board of Education (state board) to review reports required
11 in statute and rule.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

- 14 ▶ requires the State Board of Education (state board) to:
 - 15 • work with local education agencies to develop a process to review reports
 - 16 required in statute and state board rule; and
 - 17 • in reviewing required reports, take into consideration several factors, including
 - 18 the time and cost to complete a required report, and whether the information,
 - 19 accountability, or transparency the required report provides could be obtained or
 - 20 achieved by other means;
 - 21 ▶ permits the state board to make recommendations to the Legislature for legislation;
 - 22 and
 - 23 ▶ defines terms.

24 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

25 None

26 **Other Special Clauses:**

27 None



28 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

29 ENACTS:

30 **53E-3-523**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

33 Section 1. Section **53E-3-523** is enacted to read:

34 **53E-3-523. State board to review reporting requirements.**

35 (1) As used in this section, "required report" means a report that statute or state board
36 rule requires an LEA or the state board to make.

37 (2) (a) The state board shall develop work with LEAs to develop a process to review
38 required reports.

39 (b) The process described in Subsection (2)(a) shall include the following
40 considerations for each required report:

41 (i) (A) the required report's purpose; and

42 (B) the report's effectiveness in accomplishing the report's purpose;

43 (ii) which entity requires the required report;

44 (iii) which entity created the report requirements;

45 (iv) which entity or individual reviews the required report;

46 (v) whether the information in the required report is otherwise available or could be
47 obtained another way;

48 (vi) whether the required report is the least burdensome way to collect the information
49 in the required report;

50 (vii) whether accountability or transparency could be achieved through a means other
51 than the required report;

52 (viii) whether and how the Utah Schools Information Management System affects the
53 required report;

54 (ix) the estimated time and cost required to complete the required report for:

55 (A) an LEA; or

56 (B) for the state board; and

57 (x) the amount of appropriated program funding available for program purposes after
58 program money is expended for completing a required report for the program.

59 (3) After reviewing required reports as described in Subsection (2), the state board may
60 make recommendations for legislation to the Legislature.