

Representative Val L. Peterson proposes the following substitute bill:

PRIME PILOT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Val L. Peterson

Senate Sponsor: Ann Millner

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the PRIME Pilot Program.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ changes the PRIME Pilot Program to an ongoing program;
- ▶ clarifies the types of courses required for a student to earn the LAUNCH certificate or TRANSFORM certificate;
- ▶ requires the Utah Board of Higher Education to award a scholarship to a student who earns the TRANSFORM general education certificate;
- ▶ requires the state board to create a funding formula for LEAs that participate in the program; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:



26 53E-10-309, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 321
27 63I-2-253, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 208, 229, 274, 354, 370,
28 and 409

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

31 Section 1. Section 53E-10-309 is amended to read:

32 53E-10-309. LAUNCH certificate -- -- TRANSFORM certificate -- -- Utah
33 PRIME Program.

34 (1) As used in this section:

35 ~~[(a) "DISCOVER breadth certificate" means a certificate of completion awarded by the~~
36 ~~state board to an eligible student who meets the criteria described in this section.]~~

37 (a) "Eligible institution" means:

38 (i) a degree-granting institution of higher education or a technical college within the
39 state system of higher education, as identified in Section 53B-2-101(1); or

40 (ii) a private, nonprofit college or university in the state that is accredited by the
41 Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

42 (b) "Industry certification" means a career and technical education certification
43 awarded through validation of skills in cooperation with a business, trade association, or other
44 industry group, in accordance with rules adopted by the state board under Section 53F-2-311.

45 (c) "Institutional certificate" means a career and technical education program
46 completion certificate awarded by the state board, an institution of higher education, or a
47 technical college.

48 (d) "LAUNCH certificate" means a certificate of completion awarded by the state
49 board to an eligible student who meets the criteria described in this section.

50 (e) "Participating LEA" means an LEA that participates in the [pilot] program.

51 (f) [~~"Pilot program"~~] "Program" means the Utah PRIME [pilot] program described in
52 Subsection (7).

53 (g) "Plan for college and career readiness" means the same as that term is defined in
54 Section 53E-2-304.

55 (h) "Qualifying student" means an eligible student who meets the criteria for a
56 LAUNCH certificate[~~, a DISCOVER breadth certificate,~~] or a TRANSFORM [general

57 education] certificate[, or a TRANSFORM CTE institutional credential] as described in this
58 section.

59 (i) "Technical college" means the same as that term is defined in 53B-1-101.5.

60 ~~[(j) "TRANSFORM CTE institutional credential" means an institutional credential
61 awarded to an eligible student who meets the criteria described in this section.]~~

62 ~~[(k) (j) "TRANSFORM [general education] certificate" means a certificate of
63 completion established by the Utah Board of Higher Education in accordance with Section
64 53B-16-105.~~

65 (2) The state board shall award a LAUNCH certificate to an eligible student who:

66 (a) completes six concurrent enrollment credits;

67 (b) is awarded an industry certification or institutional certificate; and

68 (c) has on file a plan for college and career readiness.

69 ~~[(3) The state board shall award a DISCOVER breadth certificate to an eligible student
70 who completes one 3-credit course in each of the following categories through concurrent
71 enrollment at an institution of higher education:]~~

72 ~~[(a) arts;]~~

73 ~~[(b) humanities;]~~

74 ~~[(c) life sciences;]~~

75 ~~[(d) social and behavioral sciences; and]~~

76 ~~[(e) physical sciences.]~~

77 ~~[(4) (3) [An institution of higher education] The state board shall award a
78 TRANSFORM [general education] certificate to an eligible student who:~~

79 (a) completes:

80 (i) the requirements established by the Utah Board of Higher Education in accordance
81 with Section 53B-16-105[-] and in coordination with the state board; and

82 (ii) completes five general education courses, each from a different general education
83 category, as designated for concurrent enrollment by the Utah Board of Higher Education; or

84 (b) completes a career and technical education program that is at least 300 hours or 6
85 courses.

86 (c) (i) Subject to appropriations by the Legislature, the Utah Board of Higher Education
87 shall award to each student who earns a TRANSFORM certificate a \$500 scholarship to be

88 used at an eligible institution.

89 (ii) A student may earn the scholarship described in Subsection (4)(c) regardless of
90 whether the student receives an Opportunity Scholarship award described in Section
91 53B-8-201.

92 ~~[(5) The state board, an institution of higher education, or a technical college through~~
93 ~~which an eligible student takes career and technical education courses, shall award a~~
94 ~~TRANSFORM CTE institutional credential to an eligible student who completes a career and~~
95 ~~technical education program that is at least 900 hours or 30 credit hours.]~~

96 ~~[(6)]~~ (4) The Utah Board of Higher Education shall make rules in accordance with Title
97 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to ensure that credits described in
98 Subsections (2)~~[(3), and (4)]~~ and (3) earned by a qualifying student are transferable to
99 institutions of higher education.

100 ~~[(7)]~~ (5) ~~[(a)]~~ In accordance with this section, and subject to appropriations by the
101 Legislature for this purpose, the state board shall:

102 (a) administer ~~[a two-year]~~ the Utah PRIME ~~[pilot] program~~~~[-, beginning in the~~
103 ~~2021-2022 school year,]~~ to expand access to concurrent enrollment courses and career and
104 technical education certificates by expanding digital delivery models for distance learning
105 programs or funding enrollment in participating LEAs~~[-]; and~~

106 ~~[(b) The state board shall:]~~

107 ~~[(i)]~~ (b) make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
108 Rulemaking Act, to:

109 ~~[(A)]~~ (i) establish eligibility requirements for a participating LEA; ~~[and]~~

110 ~~[(B)]~~ (ii) create an application process for LEAs to apply for the ~~[pilot] program; and~~

111 (iii) create a funding formula for participating LEAs.

112 ~~[(ii) select up to eight LEAs to be participating LEAs for the pilot program; and]~~

113 ~~[(iii) distribute up to \$100,000 in each year of the pilot program to a participating LEA~~
114 ~~to carry out the purposes of the pilot program.]~~

115 (c) A participating LEA shall offer concurrent enrollment courses, including career and
116 technical education courses, that meet the requirements for the LAUNCH certificate~~[-;~~
117 ~~DISCOVER breadth certificate,]~~ and TRANSFORM ~~[general education certificate, and~~
118 ~~TRANSFORM CTE institutional credential]~~ certificate.

119 ~~[(d) In 2022 and in 2023, on or before November 30, the state board shall deliver a~~
120 ~~report, in accordance with Section 53E-1-201, to the Education Interim Committee that:]~~

121 ~~[(i) identifies the participating LEAs;]~~

122 ~~[(ii) describes how pilot program appropriation money is used;]~~

123 ~~[(iii) describes the effectiveness of the pilot program;]~~

124 ~~[(iv) compares the demographics of students enrolled in the pilot program with the~~
125 ~~demographics of all students enrolled in participating LEAs; and]~~

126 ~~[(v) includes the number of:]~~

127 ~~[(A) concurrent enrollment courses offered by participating LEAs;]~~

128 ~~[(B) students enrolled in concurrent enrollment courses at participating LEAs; and]~~

129 ~~[(C) LAUNCH certificates, DISCOVER breadth certificates, TRANSFORM general~~
130 ~~education certificates, and TRANSFORM CTE institutional credentials awarded to students in~~
131 ~~participating LEAs.]~~

132 Section 2. Section **63I-2-253** is amended to read:

133 **63I-2-253. Repeal dates: Titles 53 through 53G.**

134 (1) (a) Subsection **53B-2a-108(5)**, regarding exceptions to the composition of a
135 technical college board of trustees, is repealed July 1, 2022.

136 (b) When repealing Subsection **53B-2a-108(5)**, the Office of Legislative Research and
137 General Counsel shall, in addition to its authority under Subsection **36-12-12(3)**, make
138 necessary changes to subsection numbering and cross references.

139 (2) Section **53B-6-105.7** is repealed July 1, 2024.

140 (3) Section **53B-7-707** regarding performance metrics for technical colleges is repealed
141 July 1, 2023.

142 (4) Section **53B-8-114** is repealed July 1, 2024.

143 (5) The following provisions, regarding the Regents' scholarship program, are repealed
144 on July 1, 2023:

145 (a) in Subsection **53B-8-105(12)**, the language that states, "or any scholarship
146 established under Sections **53B-8-202** through **53B-8-205**";

147 (b) Section **53B-8-202**;

148 (c) Section **53B-8-203**;

149 (d) Section **53B-8-204**; and

150 (e) Section [53B-8-205](#).

151 (6) Section [53B-10-101](#) is repealed on July 1, 2027.

152 (7) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 14, Uintah Basin Air Quality Research Project, is
153 repealed July 1, 2023.

154 (8) Subsection [53E-1-201](#)(1)(s) regarding the report by the Educational Interpretation
155 and Translation Services Procurement Advisory Council is repealed July 1, 2024.

156 (9) Section [53E-1-202.2](#), regarding a Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee
157 evaluation and recommendations, is repealed January 1, 2024.

158 [~~(10)~~ Subsection [53E-10-309](#)(7), related to the PRIME pilot program, is repealed July
159 1, 2024.]

160 [~~(11)~~] (10) In Subsections [53F-2-205](#)(4) and (5), regarding the State Board of
161 Education's duties if contributions from the minimum basic tax rate are overestimated or
162 underestimated, the language that states "or [53F-2-301.5](#), as applicable" is repealed July 1,
163 2023.

164 [~~(12)~~] (11) Section [53F-2-209](#), regarding local education agency budgetary flexibility,
165 is repealed July 1, 2024.

166 [~~(13)~~] (12) Subsection [53F-2-301](#)(1), relating to the years the section is not in effect, is
167 repealed July 1, 2023.

168 [~~(14)~~] (13) Section [53F-2-302.1](#), regarding the Enrollment Growth Contingency
169 Program, is repealed July 1, 2023.

170 [~~(15)~~] (14) Subsection [53F-2-314](#)(4), relating to a one-time expenditure between the
171 at-risk WPU add-on funding and previous at-risk funding, is repealed January 1, 2024.

172 [~~(16)~~] (15) Section [53F-2-524](#), regarding teacher bonuses for extra work assignments,
173 is repealed July 1, 2024.

174 [~~(17)~~] (16) In Subsection [53F-2-515](#)(1), the language that states "or [53F-2-301.5](#), as
175 applicable" is repealed July 1, 2023.

176 [~~(18)~~] (17) Subsection [53F-4-401](#)(3)(b), regarding a child enrolled or eligible for
177 enrollment in kindergarten, is repealed July 1, 2022.

178 [~~(19)~~] (18) In Subsection [53F-4-404](#)(4)(c), the language that states "Except as provided
179 in Subsection (4)(d)" is repealed July 1, 2022.

180 [~~(20)~~] (19) Subsection [53F-4-404](#)(4)(d) is repealed July 1, 2022.

181 [~~(21)~~] (20) In Subsection 53F-9-302(3), the language that states "or 53F-2-301.5, as
182 applicable" is repealed July 1, 2023.

183 [~~(22)~~] (21) In Subsection 53F-9-305(3)(a), the language that states "or 53F-2-301.5, as
184 applicable" is repealed July 1, 2023.

185 [~~(23)~~] (22) In Subsection 53F-9-306(3)(a), the language that states "or 53F-2-301.5, as
186 applicable" is repealed July 1, 2023.

187 [~~(24)~~] (23) In Subsection 53G-3-304(1)(c)(i), the language that states "or 53F-2-301.5,
188 as applicable" is repealed July 1, 2023.

189 [~~(25)~~] (24) On July 1, 2023, when making changes in this section, the Office of
190 Legislative Research and General Counsel shall, in addition to the office's authority under
191 Subsection 36-12-12(3), make corrections necessary to ensure that sections and subsections
192 identified in this section are complete sentences and accurately reflect the office's perception of
193 the Legislature's intent.