

House Amendment 1650

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1 1 Amend the amendment, H=1645, to the Senate
1 2 amendment, H=1635, to House File 816, as amended,
1 3 passed, and reprinted by the House, as follows:
1 4 #1. Page 21, by inserting after line 17 the
1 5 following:
1 6 <Sec. _____. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ==
1 7 POSTSECONDARY READINESS PILOT PROGRAM.
1 8 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of
1 9 the state to the department of education for the
1 10 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June
1 11 30, 2006, the following amount, or so much thereof as
1 12 is necessary, to be used for the purposes of providing
1 13 grants to school districts under the postsecondary
1 14 readiness pilot program established pursuant to this
1 15 section:
1 16 \$ 100,000
1 17 2. A postsecondary readiness pilot program is
1 18 established to be administered by the department. The
1 19 department shall develop an application process and
1 20 grant selection criteria. The purpose of the program
1 21 shall be to determine, through the use of assessments,
1 22 how prepared students enrolled in grades eight, ten,
1 23 and twelve are for postsecondary education or
1 24 workforce experiences. The grant program shall
1 25 provide for the selection of three school districts
1 26 for participation in the postsecondary readiness pilot
1 27 program. The school districts shall be located in
1 28 different geographic areas of the state, with
1 29 enrollments as follows:
1 30 a. One school district with an actual enrollment
1 31 of two thousand five hundred or more pupils.
1 32 b. One school district with an actual enrollment
1 33 that is greater than six hundred pupils, but less than
1 34 two thousand five hundred pupils.
1 35 c. One school district with an actual enrollment
1 36 of six hundred or fewer pupils.
1 37 A school district with more than one attendance
1 38 center serving the grades specified in this section
1 39 shall select one attendance center for participation
1 40 in the pilot program.
1 41 3. A school district receiving grant funds under
1 42 this section shall use assessments published by the
1 43 American college testing program, inc., (ACT) as
1 44 follows:
1 45 a. For students in grade eight, the explore
1 46 assessment.
1 47 b. For students in grade ten, the plan assessment.
1 48 c. For students in grade twelve, the ACT college
1 49 entrance examination.
1 50 4. The participating school districts shall
2 1 utilize the results of the assessments administered
2 2 pursuant to subsection 3 to identify measures which
2 3 the school district shall take to improve or expand
2 4 the school district's curriculum and increase the
2 5 rigor of the courses offered at the junior high school
2 6 and high school levels in the school year following
2 7 the completion of the assessments.
2 8 5. Each school district receiving grant funds
2 9 under this section shall submit to the department of
2 10 education, not later than August 1, 2006, the results
2 11 of the assessments administered pursuant to subsection
2 12 3, the process used to evaluate the school district's
2 13 current curriculum, and the measures identified by the
2 14 school district to improve, expand, and increase the
2 15 rigor of the school district's junior high school and
2 16 high school curriculum and courses pursuant to
2 17 subsection 4.
2 18 6. The department shall evaluate the results of
2 19 the postsecondary readiness pilot program and shall
2 20 submit its findings and recommendations to the
2 21 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and
2 22 house standing committees on education and the joint
2 23 appropriations subcommittee on education by December
2 24 15, 2006.>

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