## House File 2612

S-5067

- 1 Amend the amendment, S-5043, to House File 2612, as amended,
- 2 passed, and reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 3 l. By striking page 1, line 5, through page 26, line 17, and 4 inserting:
- 5 <Section 1. AREA EDUCATION AGENCY COMMISSION.</p>
- 6 l. A commission is established to conduct a comprehensive
- 7 study of area education agencies and make recommendations
- 8 related to how to improve the outcomes of students who utilize
- 9 services provided by area education agencies.
- 10 2. a. A statewide association located in this state that
- 11 represents educational professionals shall appoint one co-chair
- 12 to the commission.
- 13 b. The co-chair appointed pursuant to paragraph "a" must be
- 14 a current or recently retired special education teacher or a
- 15 current or recently retired superintendent who has many years
- 16 of experience as a licensed educator or administrator in this
- 17 state.
- 18 c. The co-chair appointed pursuant to paragraph "a" shall
- 19 not be a member of the general assembly.
- 20 3. a. A statewide organization located in this state
- 21 that represents educational administrators shall appoint one
- 22 co-chair to the commission.
- 23 b. The co-chair appointed pursuant to paragraph "a" must be
- 24 a current or recently retired special education teacher or a
- 25 current or recently retired superintendent who has many years
- 26 of experience as a licensed educator or administrator in this
- 27 state.
- 28 c. The co-chair appointed pursuant to paragraph "a" shall
- 29 not be a member of the general assembly.
- 30 4. The association described in subsection 2, paragraph
- 31 "a", and the organization described in subsection 3, paragraph
- 32 "a", shall consult to ensure that one co-chair has declared a
- 33 political party affiliation with the republican party and the
- 34 other co-chair has declared a political party affiliation with
- 35 the democratic party.

- 1 5. a. Subject to paragraphs "b" and "c", the co-chairs
- 2 shall appoint additional members to the commission, as
- 3 determined by the co-chairs, including members representing
- 4 the office of the governor, the general assembly, and the
- 5 department of education.
- 6 b. The commission shall be bipartisan in its composition.
- 7 c. All members of the commission appointed by the co-chairs
- 8 must be residents of this state.
- 9 6. All contractors engaged by the commission shall be
- 10 residents of this state.
- 11 7. The co-chairs may create working groups to study and make
- 12 recommendations related to any of the following:
- a. Area education agency funding and finances.
- b. Area education agency governance structures.
- 15 c. Area education agency oversight.
- 16 d. Services area education agencies should provide in the
- 17 school year beginning July 1, 2024, and subsequent school
- 18 years.
- 19 e. The educational and service standards that apply to area
- 20 education agencies.
- 21 f. The quality of the educational programs and services
- 22 provided by area education agencies to school districts.
- 23 q. The role of school districts in guiding the services
- 24 provided by area education agencies.
- 25 h. The role of parents, students, and communities in guiding
- 26 the services provided by area education agencies.
- 27 i. How to improve the outcomes of students in this state who
- 28 receive special education programs and services.
- 29 8. The commission shall submit a report, including findings
- 30 and recommendations for policy changes, to the general assembly
- 31 by December 31, 2024.>
- 32 2. Page 26, by striking lines 18 through 26 and inserting:
- 33 < . Title page, by striking lines 1 through 7 and</p>
- 34 inserting <An Act establishing a commission to study and make
- 35 recommendations related to area education agencies.>>

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