



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 940

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF TRUANCY DATA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-220 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2009*):

4 (c) Annually, each local and regional board of education shall
5 submit to the Commissioner of Education a strategic school profile
6 report for each school under its jurisdiction and for the school district
7 as a whole. The superintendent of each local and regional school
8 district shall present the profile report at the next regularly scheduled
9 public meeting of the board of education after each November first.
10 The profile report shall provide information on measures of (1) student
11 needs, (2) school resources, including technological resources and
12 utilization of such resources and infrastructure, (3) student and school
13 performance, including truancy, (4) equitable allocation of resources
14 among its schools, (5) reduction of racial, ethnic and economic
15 isolation, and (6) special education. For purposes of this subsection,
16 measures of special education include (A) special education
17 identification rates by disability, (B) rates at which special education
18 students are exempted from mastery testing pursuant to section 10-
19 14q, (C) expenditures for special education, including such
20 expenditures as a percentage of total expenditures, (D) achievement

21 data for special education students, (E) rates at which students
22 identified as requiring special education are no longer identified as
23 requiring special education, (F) the availability of supplemental
24 educational services for students lacking basic educational skills, (G)
25 the amount of special education student instructional time with
26 nondisabled peers, (H) the number of students placed out-of-district,
27 and (I) the actions taken by the school district to improve special
28 education programs, as indicated by analyses of the local data
29 provided in subparagraphs (A) to (H), inclusive, of this subdivision.
30 The superintendent shall include in the narrative portion of the report
31 information about parental involvement and if the district has taken
32 measures to improve parental involvement, including, but not limited
33 to, employment of methods to engage parents in the planning and
34 improvement of school programs and methods to increase support to
35 parents working at home with their children on learning activities. For
36 purposes of this subsection, measures of truancy include data collected
37 by the Department of Education regarding attendance and unexcused
38 absences in compliance with federal reporting requirements. Such
39 truancy data shall be considered a public record for purposes of
40 chapter 14.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2009	10-220(c)
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