OLR Bill Analysis
HB 7351

**AN ACT CONCERNING GRADUATION DATA FOR THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CAREER SYSTEM.**

**SUMMARY**

By law, prior to an annual joint meeting of the Education, Higher Education, and Labor committees, the Technical Education and Career System (TECS) superintendent must submit information about, among other things, (1) TECS student course and program enrollment and completion rates and (2) the employment status of TECS graduates.

This bill requires him to also submit (1) TECS graduation rates; (2) disaggregated course and program of study completion rates; and (3) course and program graduation rates, disaggregated for each course and program offered. By law, the superintendent must submit information for this annual meeting by November 15, and the meeting must take place before November 30. TECS is formerly known as the Technical High School System.

The bill also requires the TECS board’s biennial report to the Education Committee to include graduation rates, rather than completion rates, which must be disaggregated for each trade program. The new information must be in the report that is due by January 1, 2021. By law, the report must include (1) demographic information for the preceding two school years on applicants for admission, students enrolled, and graduates and (2) a summary of the capital and operating expenditures.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2019

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Education Committee

Joint Favorable
Yea 35  Nay 0  (03/25/2019)