SENATE FILE NO. SF0036

Statewide education data system.

Sponsored by: Joint Education Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to a statewide education data system;

2 establishing a statewide education data system enabling

3 data accessing and sharing between school districts and the

4 state; creating an education data management center within

5 the department of education and prescribing duties and

6 responsibilities; delegating rulemaking authority;

7 establishing a student performance data system within the

8 statewide education data system capable of tracking student

9 performance as specified; providing for system advisory

10 groups; providing appropriations and authorizing positions;

11 and providing for an effective date.

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13 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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15   **Section 1.** W.S. 21-2-204 is created to read:

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1   **21-2-204. Statewide education data system; education**

2 **data   management   center;   duties   and   responsibilities;**

3 **student performance data system; advisory groups.**

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5   (a)   There   is   created   within   the   department   of

6 education the statewide education data system.

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8   (b)   The data system shall:

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10   (i)   Provide statewide capability to share and

11 access educational information between school districts and

12 the state, through common labeling and storage of data,

13 both internally for school district use and externally for

14 state and federal governmental data collections;

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16   (ii) Provide   for   universal   school   district

17 participation in the data system;

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19   (iii) To the extent possible, leverage existing

20 education data infrastructure to support the data system;

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22   (iv) Impose training requirements for district

23 participation;

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1   (v) Provide necessary technical support to

2   districts.

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4   (c) The state superintendent of public instruction

5   shall establish an education data management center within

6   the department.   The center shall through department rule

7   and regulation, develop policies and procedures governing

8   data system operation and shall be responsible for:

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10   (i) Implementation and administration of the

11   data system;

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13   (ii) Development of a system operation plan

14   including individual school district plans;

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16   (iii) Collection and accumulation of school

17   district data for compilation into state reports;

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19   (iv) Development of standards for system data

20   quality and content;

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22   (v) Administration of system documentation,

23   district training and system resources.

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1　　　(d) The state superintendent shall establish and

2　appoint advisory groups comprised of representatives from

3　school districts and other state agencies involved with

4　data system management and reporting, including the state

5　information officer and a representative from the school

6　finance section within the department of audit, to assist

7　with the implementation and administration of this section,

8　the development of the system operation plan, the

9　establishment of policies and procedures governing

10　education information reporting and collection, including

11　the development of data collection instruments, the use and

12　description of data within education reports and other data

13　needs, requirements and issues. In addition to the school

14　data advisory group established under W.S. 21-2-203(d),

15　advisory groups comprised of seven (7) members each shall

16　be established in the following areas:

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18　　　　　(i) Student data and demographics;

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20　　　　　(ii) Certified and classified personnel;

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22　　　　　(iii) Technology.

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1   (e) A component of the statewide education data

2 system shall include a student performance data system

3 providing support to school districts for requirements of

4 the body of evidence assessment systems implemented by

5 districts in accordance with W.S. 21-3-110(a)(xxiv) to

6 determine levels of student performance and to comply with

7 state graduation requirements imposed by the state board of

8 education under W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iv). Operation and

9 administration of the student performance data system shall

10 be in consultation with the standards and body of evidence

11 tracking advisory group established by the state

12 superintendent. The department shall through the education

13 management center established under subsection (b) of this

14 section, provide necessary training and technical support

15 to school district personnel necessary for tracking student

16 performance and body of evidence information.

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18   **Section 2.**

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20   (a) On or before July 1, 2006, and in the manner

21 required under 2002 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 76,

22 Section 18(c), the state superintendent shall report to the

23 joint appropriations interim committee and the joint

24 education interim committee on the expenditure of funds

1   under 2003 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 131, Section

2   327(c) and section 3 of this act, together with the

3   position filled under section 3(a) of this act and the

4   status of the position.

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6   (b) In addition to reporting requirements imposed

7   under subsection (a) of this section, the state

8   superintendent shall report to the joint education interim

9   committee on the statewide education data system and the

10   student performance data system established under section 1

11   of this act.   The report shall be made on or before

12   November 1, 2004, and shall include the status of the data

13   systems, timelines established for implementation of each

14   system, advisory groups established to assist with system

15   development and implementation, and system expenditures.

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17   **Section 3.**

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19   (a) Three million one hundred three thousand three

20   hundred dollars ($3,103,300.00) is appropriated from the

21   school foundation program account to the department of

22   education to begin the development and implementation of

23   the statewide education data system established under

24   section 1(a) of this act.   Amounts shall be appropriated

1 under this subsection for the period commencing on the

2 effective date of this act and expiring on June 30, 2006,

3 and shall be expended for system infrastructure

4 development, software upgrading, staff training, central

5 data management application, student identification

6 applications, data processing and system management and

7 oversight.   In addition, this appropriation includes

8 funding and authorization for one (1) full-time position.

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10   (b) One million four hundred thousand dollars

11 ($1,400,000.00) is appropriated from the school foundation

12 program account to the department of education for the

13 implementation and operation of the student performance

14 data system, including the purchase of necessary server

15 hardware for those districts not capable of using software

16 compatible with the system and the costs for training

17 school district personnel in the use of computer software.

18 The amount appropriated under this subsection shall be for

19 the period beginning on the effective date of this act and

20 ending on June 30, 2006.

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1   **Section 4.** This act is effective immediately upon

2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

4 Constitution.

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6   (END)