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LCO No. 1633



Referred to Committee on COMMERCE

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT WORK RELEASE POLICIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Education, in consultation with the Chief Workforce Officer and the
3 executive director of the Technical Education and Career System, shall
4 evaluate each school district's student work release policy. The
5 commissioner shall develop a model student work release policy based
6 on such evaluation. Not later than January 1, 2023, the commissioner
7 shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
8 general statutes, regarding such model student work release policy to
9 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
10 cognizance of matters relating to education and commerce.

11 (b) Not later than July 1, 2023, the commissioner shall issue guidance
12 to each local and regional board of education regarding the adoption of
13 the model student work release policy developed pursuant to
14 subsection (a) of this section.

15 (c) The commissioner may update the model student work release

16 policy developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section as needed.
17 The commissioner shall issue guidance regarding such updated model
18 student work release policy to each local and regional board of
19 education.

20 (d) For the school year commencing July 1, 2024, and each school year
21 thereafter, each local or regional school district shall establish a student
22 work release policy based on the guidance provided by the
23 commissioner pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Education to (1) evaluate school districts' student work release policies, (2) develop a model student work release policy, and (3) provide guidance to local and regional boards of education regarding such model student work release policy and to require each local or regional board of education to adopt a student work release policy based on guidance provided by the commissioner.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]