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**HB 85** Monitor Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends Public School Code, providing for students with disabilities at institutions of higher

LS Summary:

(PN 58) Amends the Public School Code providing for students with disabilities at institutions of higher education. Provides for a student who is an individual with a disability to have an individualized education program transition plan no later than upon entering 12th grade that identifies and includes student goals that are likely to continue to need to be addressed should the student attend an institution of higher education. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 113 Miller, Daniel (Refiled from 19R Session)

1-11-21 H Filed

HCO 246 Miller, Daniel (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-12-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 85

Bill History: 01-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 86** Monitor Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends Public School Code providing for online instruction.

LS Summary:

(PN 59) Amends the Public School Code providing for online instruction and a survey of school online instruction preparedness. Provides for an internet service provider contracted by a school entity to provide internet services for students living in acute poverty and give services to those qualified applicants at no cost. Effective immediately.

Companions: HCO 269 Miller, Daniel (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-12-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 86

Bill History: 01-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 94

Monitor

Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for definitions and for excuses from attending school.

LS Summary:

(PN 67) Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, providing that an unexcused absence may be an absence related to a medical condition explained by a medical excuse from a licensed practitioner. Establishes excuses from attending school, providing that a school board shall excuse children from attending school upon certification by a licensed practitioner or other satisfactory evidence and may excuse children from attending school for urgent reasons. Provides that principals or teachers may excuse children for non-attendance. Effective immediately.

Bill History: 01-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 99** Monitor

Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in professional employees, further providing for transferred programs and classes.

LS Summary:

(PN 70) Amends the Public School Code, in professional employees, providing that no new employees of the receiving school district shall be hired until a position is offered to reassigned professional employees. Establishes criteria for transferred employees to retain sick leave and credited for service at the transferring school. Provides for similar criteria for the transfer of employees other than professional employees. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 5 Miller, Daniel (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-12-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 99

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Labor and Industry

HB 102 Monitor Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in intermediate units, repealing provisions relating to psychological service; in professional employees, for school social workers; and, in school health services, for counselors, psychologists, and nurses.

LS Summary:

(PN 72)Amends the Public School Code, in intermediate units, repealing provisions relating to psychological service; establishing the addition of school social workers to the definition of professional employees and providing for a definition of school social workers. Provides for the transfer of student health records to the school district where the student is newly enrolled and for the retention of health records. Establishes staffing ratios for school counselors, psychologists, social workers, and school nurses. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 50

Miller, Daniel

(Co-sponsor Memo)

1-12-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 102

Bill History: 01-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 154 Monitor

Owlett, Clint(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for attendance policy at

charter, regional charter and cyber charter schools.

LS Summary:

(PN 119) Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, providing that charter, regional charter, and cyber charter schools shall provide a weekly report on the attendance of

each student for the preceding week. Effective immediately.

Companions: HB 2358 Owlett, Clint (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 84 Owlett, Clint (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-13-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 154

Bill History: 01-13-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 180 Monitor Kosierowski, Bridget(D)

Act establishing the School Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program and providing for the powers and

duties of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

LS Summary:

(PN 148) The School Counselor Loan Forgiveness Act establishes the School Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program and provides for powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency. Provides that the agency may forgive a proportional part of an eligible recipient's loan so that the loan may be entirely forgiven over four years of full-time staff work. No more than \$10,000 shall be forgiven in a year and no more than \$40,000 total shall be forgiven for a recipient. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** HB 2320 Kosierowski, Bridget (F) (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 274 Kosierowski, Bridget (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-15-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 180

Bill History: 01-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 182 Monitor

Kosierowski, Bridget(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, further

providing for publication of rules, regulations and policies.

LS Summary:

(PN 150) Amends the Public School Code, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, requiring online publication of the number of vaccinated and unvaccinated students enrolled in each school in the school district. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** HB 1767 Kosierowski, Bridget (F) (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 537 Kosierowski, Bridget (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-15-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 182

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 188** Monitor Ciresi, Joseph(D)

Amends the PA Election Code, in nomination of candidates, further providing for petition may consist of several sheets and statement of circulator.

candidates are exempt from the provision that a circulator must be registered to the same

party as their petitions. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 409 Ciresi, Joseph (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-15-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 188

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-21-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Government

HB 191 Monitor Ciresi, Joseph(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for physical

education.

LS Summary:

(PN 159) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, providing that the board of school directors may permit students to satisfy physical education requirements by participating in an interscholastic sport and may do so to satisfy the physical education requirement twice per school year, which must be during the interscholastic sport's season.

Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 519 Ciresi, Joseph (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-15-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 191

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-21-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 197 Monitor

Snyder, Pam(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in charter schools, further providing for applicability of other provisions of this act and of other acts and regulations relating to cyber charter schools.

LS Summary:

(PN 163) Amends the Public School Code adding a subsection providing cyber charter schools, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, shall be subject to audit by the auditor general.

Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 2833 Snyder, Pam (Refiled from 19R Session)

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-21-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 226

Monitor

Kosierowski, Bridget(D)

Act establishing the Nurse and Health Care Worker Loan Forgiveness Program and providing for the

powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

LS Summary:

(PN 190) The Nurse and Health Care Worker Loan Forgiveness Program establishes the program for eligible health care employees to receive payment by the agency of a portion of the debt incurred by the qualified applicant through the agency-administered guaranteed Stafford or consolidation loan programs if the recipient enters into a contract with the agency that requires the recipient to remain employed at a qualified health care facility in the commonwealth for two or four years. Requires that loan forgiveness be awarded to recipients who are working in and have received a satisfactory rating from a qualified health care facility. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 350 Kosierowski, Bridget (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 226

Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 228 Monitor Gaydos, Valerie(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for report on academic impact

of COVID-19 pandemic.

LS Summary:

(PN 192) Amends the Public School Code adding a new section requiring the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study and issue an initial report, interim report, and final report on the academic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students in school entities, which shall include the methods of instruction that are most successful for students. Provides the reports shall be submitted to the chairs and minority chairs of the House and Senate Education Committees. Effective immediately.

Companions: HCO 221 Gaydos, Valerie (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 229

Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 229 Gaydos, Valerie(R) Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for report on fiscal impact of Monitor COVID-19 pandemic. LS Summary: (PN 193) Amends the Public School Code adding a new section requiring the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study and issue a report on the fiscal impact, including, but not limited to, loss of revenue and increased school taxes of the COVID-19 pandemic on school entities. Provides the report shall be submitted to the chairs and minority chairs of the House and Senate Education Committees. Effective immediately. Companions: HCO 221 Gaydos, Valerie (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 229 Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education HB 232 Mustello, Marci(R) Amends the Public School Code, in school districts, further providing for how constituted. Monitor LS Summary: (PN 196) Amends the Public School Code adding language allowing a school district to change its name by a majority vote of the local board of school directors of the school district and the approval of the Department of Education. Effective in 60 days. Companions: HCO 751 Mustello, Marci (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 232 Position: Neutral Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education HB 239 Warren, Perry(D) Amends the Public School Code, in school health services, further providing for possession and use Monitor of asthma inhalers and epinephrine auto-injectors and providing for school administration of adrenal insufficiency medication. LS Summary: (PN 200) Amends the Public School Code, in school health services, further providing for possession and use of asthma inhalers and epinephrine auto-injectors and providing for school administration of adrenal insufficiency medication. The bill establishes that a school entity or nonpublic school may authorize a trained school employee to administer to a student an adrenal insufficiency medication that the student's parent or legal guardian has provided to the appropriate trained school personnel for the school entity or nonpublic school where the trained school employee believes in good faith the student is having an adrenal crisis. Effective in 60 days. Companions: HCO 314 Warren, Perry (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 239 Position: Neutral Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education **HB 242** Driscoll, Michael(D) Amends the Public School Code, in terms & courses of study, for subjects of instruction & flag code Monitor and for economic education & personal financial literacy programs, for personal finance instruction and for capstone course. LS Summary: (PN 211) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for subjects of instruction and flag code and for economic education and personal financial literacy programs, providing for personal finance instruction and for capstone course in personal finance as graduation requirement and establishing the Personal Finance Education Fund; and making an appropriation. Effective in 60 days. Companions: HCO 927 Driscoll, Michael (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 242 **Position:** Neutral Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

LS Summary: (PN 212) Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, outlining school building closure requirements. Effective in 60 days.

requirements.

Amends Public School Code in pupils and attendance, providing for school building closure

Young, Regina (F)(D)

HB 244 Monitor Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 247 Monitor Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends Public School Code in safe schools, further providing for reporting.

LS Summary:

(PN 215) Amends the Public School Code, in safe schools, further providing for reporting by adding that in addition to any other required report, no later than 72 hours from an incident of attempted suicide or committed suicide on school property, a chief school administrator shall report the incident to the office. The report shall not reveal any identifying information of a student and shall meet the requirements under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 119

HB 119 Miller, Daniel (Refiled from 19R Session)

1-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Human Services

HB 312 DeLuca, Anthony (Related)

1-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HCO 510 Miller, Daniel (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 247

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 250 Monitor Miller, Daniel(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for subjects of instruction and flag code and providing for mental health, physical disabilities and developmental disabilities education.

LS Summary:

(PN 218) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for subjects of instruction and flag code and providing for mental health, physical disabilities and

developmental disabilities education. Effective in 60 days

Companions: HCO 456 Miller, Daniel (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-25-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 250

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 256 Monitor Grove, Seth(R)

Amends the Public School Code, providing for innovation schools.

LS Summary:

(PN 227) Amends the Public School Code providing for innovation schools. Provides that the 15 percent of school district buildings with the lowest School Performance Profile scores will be designated as innovation schools. Lays out guidelines and conditions for remaining an innovation school or not, and for membership of innovation school boards. Effective

immediately.

Companions: HB 1732 Grove, Seth (Refiled from 19R Session)

HCO 94 Grove, Seth (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-26-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 256

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-26-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 258 Monitor Grove, Seth(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in school finances, providing for reduction of school district debt.

LS Summary:

(PN 229) Amends the Public School Code, in school finances, providing that a school district that received funds for a construction project approved by the Department of Education under the Fiscal Code before the effective date of this section shall reduce any debt incurred by the school district in an amount equal to the funds received by the school district. A school district that receives funds for a construction project approved by the Department of Education under the Fiscal Code after the effective date of this section shall use the funds to

district shall reduce the school district's millage rate as the school district reduces the debt incurred for the project. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** HB 1731 Grove, Seth (Refiled from 19R Session)

HCO 96 Grove, Seth (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-26-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 258

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-26-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 261 Diamond, Russ(R)
Monitor

Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for immunization

required and penalty.

LS Summary:

(PN 232) Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for immunization required and penalty. The bill requires a public school entity, nonpublic school, political subdivision or the commonwealth to include the following information with any provision of information containing immunization requirements issued by the commonwealth in the same size and font as the publication, posting or provision: (1) the exemptions from immunization requirements; (2) that the public school entity, nonpublic school, political subdivision or the commonwealth accepts the exemptions from immunization requirements; and (3) the process by which a child may obtain an exemption from immunization

requirements. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 48 Diamond, Russ (Refiled from 19R Session)

12-23-20 H Filed

HCO 869 Diamond, Russ (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-26-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 261

Bill History: 01-26-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 265 Monitor James, Lee(R) Amends the Public School Code, providing for CPR Instruction.

LS Summary:

(PN 236) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, requiring hands-only CPR instruction. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 278 James, Lee (Refiled from 19R Session)

1-20-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Rules and Executive

Nominations

HCO 289 James, Lee (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-26-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 265

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-26-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 308 Monitor

Diamond, Russ(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in collective bargaining, further providing for matters of inherent

managerial policy.

LS Summary:

(PN 277) Amends the Public School Code, in collective bargaining, further providing for matters of inherent managerial policy by adding that the matters shall include the employer's policies with respect to termination or suspension of an employe for engaging in sexual

misconduct. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 383 Diamond, Russ (Refiled from 19R Session)

1-27-21 H Filed

HCO 877 Diamond, Russ (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-27-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 308

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-27-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Labor and Industry

HB 309 Monitor

LS Summary:

DeLuca, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in school districts, providing for terms of agreements and settlements.

(PN 283) Amends the Public School Code, in school districts, providing for terms of agreements and settlements. The bill prohibits a school district from entering into an

school employee, unless ordered by a court. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 709 (Refiled from 19R Session) DeLuca, Anthony

> HCO 619 DeLuca, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo)

> > 1-28-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 309

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 311 Monitor DeLuca, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for testing for controlled

substances for prospective employees.

LS Summary:

(PN 285) Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing that school administrators shall require prospective employees to submit a report of controlled substances testing or a statement from a testing laboratory providing the results of the controlled substance testing as a condition of employment. Provides applicability for all prospective employees of public schools, private schools, intermediate units and area career and technical schools, including independent contractors with exceptions. Establishes that beginning April 1, 2022, school administrators shall require the controlled substances testing report in a manner prescribed by the Department of Education. Provides that the State Board of Education shall promulgate regulations related to testing. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** HCO 635 DeLuca, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-28-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 311

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Labor and Industry

HB 312 Monitor DeLuca, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in safe schools, further providing for reporting.

LS Summary:

(PN 286) Amends the Public School Code, in safe schools, requiring the school violence report

(Refiled from 19R Session)

to be filed on a quarterly basis instead of annually. Effective in 60 days.

Miller, Daniel (Related) 1-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HCO 634 DeLuca, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-28-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 312

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 313 Monitor DeLuca, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for when transportation

is provided.

Companions: HB 1657 DeLuca, Anthony

HB 247

LS Summary:

(PN 287) Amends the Public School Code, in pupils and attendance, further providing for when transportation is provided. The bill establishes that the board of school directors in every school district shall award all contracts for the transportation of pupils by utilizing a request for proposal process. The contracts shall be for a period of not more than two years and may be extended for a period of not more than one year by mutual agreement of the

parties. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 711 DeLuca, Anthony (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 620 DeLuca, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-28-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 313

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 314** Monitor DeLuca, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in school finances, further providing for limitations on certain unreserved fund balances.

LS Summary:

(PN 288) Amends the Public School Code, in school finances, further providing for limitations on certain unreserved fund balances. The bill establishes that a charter or cyber charter school entity may not receive payment from a school district unless it has adopted a budget that includes an estimated unreserved, undesignated fund balance of less than 5 percent of the total budgeted expenditures. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 712 DeLuca, Anthony (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 621 DeLuca, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-28-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 314

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 335** Mackenzie, Ryan(R) Monitor

Amends an act for the establishment of a uniform standard of time throughout the Commonwealth, observing daylight saving time year-around if authorized by the Congress of the United States.

LS Summarv:

(PN 310) Amends the act entitled "An act for the establishment of a uniform standard of time throughout the Commonwealth" observing daylight saving time year-around if authorized by the Congress of the United States. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HB 1462 Mackenzie, Ryan (Refiled from 19R Session)

> HCO 726 Mackenzie, Ryan (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-29-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 335

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Government

HB 358 Monitor Marshall, Jim(R)

Amends Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for agreements with higher education institutions; and, in opportunities for educational excellence, for responsibilities of schools and dual enrollment.

LS Summary:

(PN 364) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, allowing charter schools, regional charter schools, cyber charter schools or area vocational-technical schools to enroll in concurrent college classes through an institution of higher education; and in opportunities for education excellence, including charter school, regional charter school and cyber charter school to the definition of school entity and concurrent student, providing that revenues received by a school district for the responsibilities of Department of Education and State Board of Education shall not be included in the school district's budgeted total expenditure per average daily membership used to calculate the amount to be paid to a charter school entity, and indicating that charter schools, regional charter schools and cyber charter schools have the power and authority to enter into a concurrent enrollment agreement with an institution of higher education and appropriate credit shall be awarded to students concurrently enrolled. Effective immediately.

Companions: HCO 790 Marshall, Jim (Co-sponsor Memo)

2- 3-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 358

Bill History: 02-03-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 362 Monitor Isaacson, Mary(D)

Amends Public School Code, in charter schools, providing for study of charter school academic and financial practices.

LS Summary:

(PN 334) Amends the Public School Code adding a new section directing the State Board of Education to conduct a comprehensive study outlining the best academic and financial practices of high-performing charter schools currently operating in the Commonwealth and the unsuccessful academic and financial practices of low-performing charter schools in the Commonwealth. Requires the State Board of Education to issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than twelve months after the effective date of the section. Provides for definitions of "high-performing charter school" and "lowperforming charter school." Effective in 60 days.

Companions: HCO 553 Isaacson, Mary (Co-sponsor Memo)

2- 3-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 362

Bill History: 02-03-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

**HB 365** Harkins, Patrick(D) Amends Public School Code, making editorial changes.

LS Summary:

(PN 337) Amends the Public School Code making editorial changes removing certain terms such as "crippled", "defective", "disturbed", "handicapped" and "retarded" from the code. Also removes changes to homebound instruction and updates terminology related to intellectual disability and removes reference to "at the detention home" and the reference to "other" related to inappropriate conduct. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** HCO 982 Harkins, Patrick (Co-sponsor Memo)

2- 3-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 365

Bill History: 02-03-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HB 373 Monitor Davis, Austin(D)

Amends Public School Code, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts,

further providing for State reimbursement for health services.

LS Summary:

(PN 345) Amends the Public School Code adding language increasing the state reimbursement for health services. Requires the Department of Health to post the detailed payment calculation made to each school entity within 60 days of the payment on the department's publicly accessible Internet website. Effective immediately.

Companions: HCO 391 Davis, Austin (Co-sponsor Memo)

2- 3-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HB 373

Bill History: 02-03-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

HR 15 Monitor Owlett, Clint(R)

Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct an analysis of the current school bus driver industry and provide recommendations as to how the Commonwealth can effectively address the shortage of bus drivers

LS Summary:

(PN 143) Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a thorough and comprehensive analysis of the current school bus driver industry and provide recommendations as to how the commonwealth can address the shortage of school bus drivers.

Companions: HR 880 Owlett, Clint (Refiled from 19R Session)

HCO 81 Owlett, Clint (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-14-21 H Introduced as a bill - see HR 15

Bill History: 01-14-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Education

SB 34 Monitor Williams, Anthony(D)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms & courses of study, for subjects of instruction and flag code and for economic education and personal financial literacy programs & for personal finance instruction & capstone course; est. Fund.

LS Summary:

(PN 15) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, establishing personal finance as a subject of instruction from kindergarten through grade 12 for each public school student, establishing personal finance education programs, and providing for a capstone course in personal finance as a graduation requirement; establishing the Personal Finance Education Fund; and appropriating \$3 million to the Department of Education. Each school year, the legislation requires personal finance instruction which shall be aligned to academic standards and may be integrated with various school courses. Provides requirements on instructions and enumerates subjects that personal finance concepts may include. Requires that the course shall prepare a student for life after graduation. Effective in 60 days.

Companions: SCO 359 Williams, Anthony (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-20-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 34

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-20-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 37 Monitor Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F)(R)

Amends Title 24 (Education), in preliminary provisions, providing for student data privacy and protection; imposing duties on the Department of Education; and providing for penalties.

LS Summary:

(PN 18) Amends Title 24 (Education) providing for educational entities to engage in restrained collection, safety and retention of privacy rights of students, parents and legal guardians. The act necessitates the hiring or designation of a chief data privacy officer within the Pennsylvania Department of Education, as determined by the secretary of education, who will ensure that student data is safely contained within the state data system and develop

own and they may download or export any of their data that is held by the state data system, and eligible students may request inspection, transmittal, correction or expunction of the data. However, the act provides that third-party contractors may use student data for adaptive learning purposes, marketing, a recommendation engine to recommend content or services that relates to learning or employment, improve operability and functionality of software, and disclose personally identifiable information when asked by the student or guardian. The act requires that school districts notify the chief data privacy officer within 24 hours when there is a security breach and notify students when their data has been breached; districts must then take action to determine the scope of the data breached and take all reasonable steps to notify affected individuals. This act will take effect on August 1, 2022.

Companions: SB 797 Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F) (Refiled from 19R Session)

SCO 283 Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F) (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-20-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 37

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-20-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 41 Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F)(R)
Monitor

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution, in procedure relating to legislation, prohibiting the passage of unfunded directives from the General Assembly concerning education

passed through legislation.

LS Summary:

(PN 24) A joint resolution amending the Constitution of the Commonwealth, in procedure relating to legislation, prohibiting the passage of any unfunded or partially funded education mandate, statute, regulation or executive order that lacks the necessary funding for the implementation of the program. Constitutional amendments require approval in two consecutive legislative sessions and then approval by the voters through a referendum.

Companions: SB 254 Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F) (Refiled from 19R Session)

SCO 289 Phillips-Hill, Kristin (F) (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-21-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 41

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-20-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 73 Monitor Langerholc, Wayne(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for mandate waiver program.

LS Summary:

(PN 54) Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for a mandate waiver program. Establishes a mandate waiver program to allow a governing body to adopt a resolution to apply to the department for a waiver of one or more provisions, regulations of the state board, standards of the secretary, policies or guidance of the department or any other provisions of law permitted to be waived to enable the school entity to improve instructional programs or operate in a more effective, efficient or economical manner. Effective in 60 days.

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-20-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 83 Monitor Brooks, Michele(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training and establishing the Fire Training Fund.

LS Summary:

(PN 61) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, establishing the Secondary Education Fire Training Pilot Program to provide high school students with instruction through a partnership between institutions of higher education and school districts or area career and technical schools, or both, to increase the number of individuals capable of becoming volunteer firefighters. Provides for the responsibilities of the state fire commissioner and requirements on selected institutions of higher education related to the pilot program. Establishes a nonlapsing account within the state treasury as the Fire Training fund and provides \$150,000 for each selected institution offering the pilot program. Provides that the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee shall conduct a survey of volunteer fire companies in the municipalities surrounding the school districts and area career and technical schools that participate in the pilot program to determine whether the pilot program is increasing the number of volunteer firefighters and any additional recommendations. Effective immediately.

Companions: SCO 86 Brooks, Michele (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-25-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 83

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-22-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 94 Monitor Scavello, Mario(R)

Act providing for Commonwealth support for a Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Staff Member Loan Forgiveness Program and an Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program.

LS Summary:

(PN 69) The Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Staff Member and Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program Act provides for commonwealth support for a Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Staff Member Loan Forgiveness Program and an Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program, both of which are established in the legislation. The Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Staff Member Loan Forgiveness Program provides loan forgiveness of up to \$5,000 per year, or \$20,000 per applicant, for the education necessary to be a mental health or intellectual disability staff member in Pennsylvania if the applicant enters into a contract with the agency that requires the qualified recipient to remain employed as a full-time mental health or intellectual disability staff member in Pennsylvania for a period of two consecutive years. The Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselor Loan Forgiveness Program similarly provides for \$5,000 per year, or \$20,000 per applicant, in loan forgiveness for the education necessary to be an alcohol and drug addiction counselor in Pennsylvania if the qualified applicant enters a contract with the agency that requires the qualified recipient to remain employed as a full-time alcohol and drug addiction counselor in Pennsylvania for a period of two consecutive years. The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) shall report annually on the operation of the programs. Effective in 60 days.

**Companions:** SB 706 Scavello, Mario (Refiled from 19R Session)

SCO 78 Scavello, Mario (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 94

Bill History: 01-22-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 102 Monitor Street, Sharif(D)

Amends Public School Code of 1949 in terms and courses of study, providing for Black history education.

LS Summary:

(PN 79) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, providing for Black history education. Requires the Department of Education to develop and disseminate material and other related resources for school entities to integrate the history of the Black experience in an appropriate required or elective course of study curriculum within three months of the effective date. Effective immediately.

Companions: SB 1359 Dinniman, Andrew (Refiled from 19R Session)

SCO 70 Street, Sharif (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-25-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 102

**Position:** Neutral

Bill History: 01-25-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 109 Monitor Pittman, Joe(R)

Amends the Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, establishing recovery program, for emergency education relief, repealing provisions, establishing grant program, for fund transfers and making appropriations.

LS Summary:

(PN 74) Amends the Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, repealing provisions relating to Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency. Effective immediately.

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 02-05-21 H Set on the House Calendar

SB 130 Monitor Fontana, Wayne(D)

Act providing standards for carbon monoxide alarms in schools; and imposing penalties.

LS Summary:

(PN 101) The Carbon Monoxide Alarm Standards in Schools Act provides that a school that uses a fossil-fuel-burning heater or appliance or has an attached garage must have an operational, centrally located and approved carbon monoxide alarm installed in the vicinity of every classroom that is located on the same story as the fossil-fuel-burning heater or

replacement responsibility is placed on governing body of the school. Establishes that violation is a summary offense punishable by a fine of \$50. Effective immediately.

Companions: SB 429 Fontana, Wayne (Refiled from 19R Session)

SCO 122 Fontana, Wayne (Co-sponsor Memo) 1-27-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 129

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 139 Monitor Mastriano, Doug(R)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, providing for moment of silence on

September 11 anniversary.

LS Summary:

(PN 116) Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, providing for a moment of silence on the September 11 anniversary. Requires each school entity to conduct a moment of silence during instructional hours for students and faculty to observe the anniversary of September 11, 2001, as a remembrance of the thousands of military service persons, government employees, civilians and emergency responders who lost their lives or were wounded by terrorist attacks on that date. Effective immediately.

Companions: SCO 149 Mastriano, Doug (Co-sponsor Memo)

1-28-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 139

Position: Neutral

Bill History: 01-28-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

SB 148 Monitor Ward, Judy (F)(R)

Amends the Police Officer, Firefighter, Correction Employee and National Guard Member Child Beneficiary Education Act, extending benefits to certain surviving spouses; and Postsecondary Educational Gratuity Program & report.

LS Summary:

(PN 128) Amends the Police Officer, Firefighter, Correction Employee and National Guard Member Child Beneficiary Education Act extending benefits to certain surviving spouses; and further providing for title of act, for short title, for definitions, for Postsecondary Educational Gratuity Program, for report to General Assembly and for retroactivity. The bill establishes a waiver of tuition and other fees for children or surviving spouses of certain deceased police officers, National Guard members, firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, correction employees, state parole agents, county probation and parole officers, sheriffs, and deputy sheriffs at community colleges and state-owned and state-related institutions of higher education. The bill provides for additional powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency and the Department of General Services. Effective immediately.

Companions: SB 64 Ward, Judy (F) (Refiled from 19R Session)

1- 5-21 S Introduced and adopted

SCO 203 Ward, Judy (F) (Co-sponsor Memo)

2- 1-21 S Introduced as a bill - see SB 149

Bill History: 02-01-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

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