



**Substitute Senate Bill No. 940**

**Public Act No. 09-143**

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF TRUANCY DATA  
AND THE REDUCTION OF CERTAIN DUPLICATE REPORTS BY  
THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.**

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

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 Subsection (c) of section 10-220 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(c) Annually, each local and regional board of education shall submit to the Commissioner of Education a strategic school profile report for each school under its jurisdiction and for the school district as a whole. The superintendent of each local and regional school district shall present the profile report at the next regularly scheduled public meeting of the board of education after each November first. The profile report shall provide information on measures of (1) student needs, (2) school resources, including technological resources and utilization of such resources and infrastructure, (3) student and school performance, including truancy, (4) equitable allocation of resources among its schools, (5) reduction of racial, ethnic and economic isolation, and (6) special education. For purposes of this subsection, measures of special education include (A) special education identification rates by disability, (B) rates at which special education

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students are exempted from mastery testing pursuant to section 10-14q, (C) expenditures for special education, including such expenditures as a percentage of total expenditures, (D) achievement data for special education students, (E) rates at which students identified as requiring special education are no longer identified as requiring special education, (F) the availability of supplemental educational services for students lacking basic educational skills, (G) the amount of special education student instructional time with nondisabled peers, (H) the number of students placed out-of-district, and (I) the actions taken by the school district to improve special education programs, as indicated by analyses of the local data provided in subparagraphs (A) to (H), inclusive, of this subdivision. The superintendent shall include in the narrative portion of the report information about parental involvement and if the district has taken measures to improve parental involvement, including, but not limited to, employment of methods to engage parents in the planning and improvement of school programs and methods to increase support to parents working at home with their children on learning activities. For purposes of this subsection, measures of truancy include the type of data that is required to be collected by the Department of Education regarding attendance and unexcused absences in order for the department to comply with federal reporting requirements. Such truancy data shall be considered a public record for purposes of chapter 14.

Sec. 2. Section 4d-11 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The Chief Information Officer shall establish a procedure for the preparation by state agencies of plans and estimates of expenditure requirements for information and telecommunication systems, for consideration for inclusion in the Governor's budget document. [On February 1, 1998, and annually thereafter, the Chief Information

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Officer shall submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management a report which sets forth the appropriation to each state agency, for the fiscal year in progress, for information and telecommunication systems and the actual expenditures for such systems by each such agency as of December thirty-first of such fiscal year. On August 1, 1997, and annually thereafter, the Chief Information Officer shall submit to the secretary such report with respect to the last completed fiscal year.] On August 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, the Chief Information Officer shall submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management a report which sets forth the actual expenditures of each state agency for the last completed fiscal year for information and telecommunication systems.

Sec. 3. Section 4d-83 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

[(a)] The Department of Information Technology, in consultation with the Department of Education, shall provide (1) technical assistance to local and regional boards of education and regional vocational-technical schools to expand their educational technology capabilities, including, but not limited to, wiring, Internet connectivity and technical support, and (2) opportunities for such boards of education and schools to purchase under state-wide contracts.

[(b)] The department shall report, annually, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education on the assistance provided pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.]

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