## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

Requests BESE, the state Department of Education, and public school governing authorities to develop and adopt policies and guidelines relative to students whose parents opt them out of participation in state-mandated assessments and ensure that students, schools, and districts are not penalized for student nonparticipation in state-mandated assessments. Further requests BESE and the state Department of Education to reconsider current policies that penalize students, schools, and districts through the educational accountability system for students whose parents have opted to not have their child participate in state-mandated assessments.

