
DIGEST

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HB 818 Engrossed

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Riser

Abstract: Requires annual posting of assessments schedules.

Proposed law requires the following, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year and for each school year thereafter:

- (1) The state Dept. of Education (DOE) to post a statewide mandated assessments schedule on its website.
- (2) Each public school governing authority to post a link to the schedule provided for in (1) above on its website, along with a portable document format schedule of all locally adopted or required benchmarks, interim assessments, screeners, progress-monitoring assessments, and other locally required assessments for administration during that school year.
- (3) Each public school governing authority to prepare an annual local assessment review report and post the report on its website no later than November first of each school year. Requires the report to address, for each locally adopted or required benchmark, interim assessment, screener, progress-monitoring assessment, and other locally required assessment all of the following:
 - (a) The time required to administer the assessment.
 - (b) The purpose of the assessment.
 - (c) The intended use of the results.
 - (d) The timeliness of results.
 - (e) Whether the assessment duplicates another assessment.
 - (f) Whether the assessment was retained, reduced, consolidated, replaced, or eliminated as a result of the annual review.
- (4) DOE to publish on its website a consolidated inventory of assessments and screeners required by federal law, state law, and State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) rules.

Present law provides for the Parents' Bill of Rights for Public Schools. Proposed law adds to this list of rights the receipt of schedules provided for in proposed law.

Proposed law requires BESE to develop and publish any templates and implementation materials necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law prior to the 2026-2027 school year. Authorizes BESE to adopt rules for the implementation of proposed law as necessary.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:24.4(F)(7)(c)-(i) and 406.9(B)(15))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

1. Require each public school governing authority to prepare an annual local assessment review report and provide for required criteria to be included in the report.
2. Require DOE to publish on its website a consolidated inventory of assessments and screeners required by federal law, state law, and BESE rules.
3. Remove addition of assessments required by federal law, state law, BESE rules, and public school governing authorities to present law time limitation of assessments accounting for a maximum of two percent of the minimum number of instructional minutes required per school year.
4. Remove requirement that each public school governing authority increase the frequency of review of benchmarks and interim assessments from on a regular basis to annually.
5. Remove requirement that any testing requirement that is not mandated by federal law or present law be administered only at the professional discretion of the teacher.
6. Remove requirement that DOE review and consolidate assessment mandates and publish annually a consolidated inventory of assessments required by federal law, present law, and BESE rules.
7. Make technical changes.