

Substitute for Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2292

By Committee on Education

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1 AN ACT concerning schools; relating to curriculum standards; amending
2 K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 72-6479 and repealing the existing section.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 72-6479 is hereby amended to read as
6 follows: 72-6479. (a) In order to accomplish the mission for Kansas
7 education, the state board of education shall design and adopt a school
8 performance accreditation system based upon improvement in
9 performance that reflects high academic standards and is measurable.

10 (b) (1) The state board shall establish *Kansas* curriculum standards
11 which reflect high academic standards for the core academic areas of
12 mathematics, science, reading, writing and social studies. The *Kansas*
13 curriculum standards shall be reviewed at least every seven years. Nothing
14 in this subsection shall be construed in any manner so as to impinge upon
15 any district's authority to determine its own curriculum.

16 (2) *No Kansas curriculum standards shall be formed by adopting the*
17 *common core state standards or by adopting a federally provided or*
18 *required set of educational standards. Any such standards previously*
19 *adopted are hereby repealed on July 1, 2017.*

20 (3) *The state board shall develop and establish new Kansas*
21 *curriculum standards to meet the requirements of subsection (b)(2) on or*
22 *before July 1, 2017.*

23 (4) *The state board shall submit the Kansas curriculum standards*
24 *developed pursuant to subsection (b)(3) to the legislature for review prior*
25 *to implementation of such standards.*

26 (c) The state board shall provide for statewide assessments in the core
27 academic areas of mathematics, science, reading, writing and social
28 studies. The board shall ensure compatibility between the statewide
29 assessments and the *Kansas* curriculum standards established pursuant to
30 subsection (b). Such assessments shall be administered at three grade
31 levels, as determined by the board. The state board shall determine
32 performance levels on the statewide assessments, the achievement of
33 which represents high academic standards in the academic area at the
34 grade level to which the assessment applies. The state board should specify
35 high academic standards both for individual performance and school
36 performance on the assessments.

1 (d) Each school in every district shall establish a school site council
2 composed of the principal and representatives of teachers and other school
3 personnel, parents of pupils attending the school, the business community,
4 and other community groups. School site councils shall be responsible for
5 providing advice and counsel in evaluating state, school district, and
6 school site performance goals and objectives and in determining the
7 methods that should be employed at the school site to meet these goals and
8 objectives. Site councils may make recommendations and proposals to the
9 school board regarding budgetary items and school district matters,
10 including, but not limited to, identifying and implementing the best
11 practices for developing efficient and effective administrative and
12 management functions. Site councils also may help school boards analyze
13 the unique environment of schools, enhance the efficiency and maximize
14 limited resources, including outsourcing arrangements and cooperative
15 opportunities as a means to address limited budgets.

16 (e) Whenever the state board of education determines that a school
17 has failed either to meet the accreditation requirements established by
18 rules and regulations or standards adopted by the state board or provide the
19 curriculum required by state law, the state board shall so notify the school
20 district in which the school is located. Such notice shall specify the
21 accreditation requirements that the school has failed to meet and the
22 curriculum that the school has failed to provide. Upon receipt of such
23 notice, the board of education of such school district is encouraged to
24 reallocate the resources of the school district to remedy all deficiencies
25 identified by the state board. When making such reallocation, the board of
26 education shall take into consideration the resource strategies of highly
27 resource-efficient districts as identified in phase III of the Kansas
28 education resource management study conducted by Standard and Poor's
29 (March 2006).

30 (f) The provisions of this section shall be effective from and after July
31 1, 2015, through June 30, 2017.

32 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 72-6479 is hereby repealed.

33 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
34 publication in the statute book.