

SENATE BILL No. 63

By Committee on Education

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1 AN ACT concerning education; providing ACT college entrance exams
2 and workkeys assessments to nonpublic school students; notification
3 thereof; report to the legislature; amending K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 72-5179
4 and repealing the existing section.

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

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 72-5179 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows: 72-5179. (a) The state board of education shall provide the ACT
9 college entrance exam and the three ACT workkeys assessments that are
10 required to earn a national career readiness certificate to each student
11 enrolled in grades 11 and 12, and the pre-ACT college entrance exam to
12 each student enrolled in grade nine. No student shall be required to pay
13 any fees or costs to take any such exam or assessments. The state board
14 shall not be required to provide more than one exam and three assessments
15 for each student. The state board of education may enter into any contracts
16 that are necessary to promote statewide cost savings to administer such
17 exams and assessments.

18 (b) *The Kansas department of education and each school district*
19 *shall annually notify the official custodian of every nonaccredited private*
20 *secondary school registered with the department pursuant to K.S.A. 72-*
21 *4346, and amendments thereto, of **publish on their websites** the times,*
22 *dates and locations of the pre-ACT college entrance exam, the ACT*
23 *college entrance exam and the ACT workkeys assessments that are offered*
24 *in Kansas **and information for students on how to register for such***
25 *exams or assessments.*

26 (c) *Participation in the pre-ACT college entrance exam, the ACT*
27 *college entrance exam or the ACT workkeys assessment shall be*
28 *optional. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any*
29 *student to participate in such exams or assessments.*

30 ~~(e)~~(d) *On or before the first day of each regular legislative session,*
31 *the state board of education shall prepare and submit a report to the*
32 *senate standing committee on education and the house standing committee*
33 *or any successor committees on education that includes the aggregate*
34 *exam and assessment data for all students who were provided the exams*
35 *and assessments pursuant to this section.*

36 ~~(d)~~(e) *As used in this section, "student" means any person who is*

1 *regularly enrolled in any public school, accredited nonpublic school or*
2 *nonaccredited private secondary school located in Kansas.*

3 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 72-5179 is hereby repealed.

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