

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Legg) recommended the following:

Senate Substitute for Amendment (420776)

Delete lines 219 - 233

and insert:

(c)1. The calculation of a school grade shall be based on the percentage of points earned from the components listed in subparagraph (b)1. and, if applicable, subparagraph (b)2. The State Board of Education shall adopt in rule a school grading scale that sets the percentage of points needed to earn each of the school grades listed in subsection (2). There shall be at

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11	least 5 percentage points separating the percentage thresholds
12	needed to earn each of the school grades. Each school year, the
13	percentage of schools earning "A" and "B" grades shall be
14	reviewed to determine whether to adjust the school grading scale
15	upward for the following school year's calculation of school
16	grades. An adjustment must be made if the percentage of schools
17	earning an "A" and "B" in the current year represents 75 percent
18	or more of all graded schools within a particular school type
19	used for accountability. The adjustment must reset the minimum
20	required percentage of points for each grade at a percentage
21	threshold that would yield less than 75 percent of schools
22	earning an "A" and "B" if applied in the year mandating the
23	adjustment. The adjustments shall end when the following grade
24	scale is achieved:
25	a. Ninety percent or more of the points for an "A."
26	b. Eighty to 89 percent of the points for a "B."
27	c. Seventy to 79 percent of the points for a "C."
28	d. Sixty to 69 percent of the points for a "D."
29	e. Fifty-nine percent or less of the points for an "F."
30	2. The calculation of school grades may not include any
31	provision that would raise or lower the school's grade beyond
32	the percentage of points earned. Extra weight may not be added
33	in the calculation of any components.