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Senate

House

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Representative Tendrich offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 63-73 and insert:

use a wireless communications device during the school day
unless the student serves as the primary or significant
caregiver for a sibling, dependent, parent, or family member
with a chronic or acute health condition. Such a student may use
a wireless communications device, including a cellular telephone
or smart watch, at all times during the school day and pursuant
to the requirements of subparagraph 2. or have access to a
school phone. A student who serves as the primary or significant
caregiver must coordinate or create a caregiver accommodation

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14 plan with his or her school to use his or her wireless
15 communications device pursuant to this paragraph instructional
16 time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for
17 educational purposes. A teacher shall designate an area for
18 wireless communications devices during instructional time. Each
19 district school board shall adopt rules governing the use of a
20 wireless communications device by a student while the student is
21 on school property or in attendance at a school function or
22 during the school day, including all of the following:

23 1. Designating locations within school buildings where a
24 student may use his or her wireless communications device with
25 the express permission of a school administrator.

26 2. Accommodating a student who serves as the primary or
27 significant caregiver for a sibling, dependent, parent, or
28 family member with a chronic or acute health condition. Such
29 rules must prohibit a student from being penalized for the
30 responsible use of a wireless communications device when used in
31 accordance with an approved caregiver accommodation plan. The
32 rules must include providing such a student with:

33 a. The ability to check for urgent messages at pre-
34 approved intervals, including between classes and during lunch.

35 b. Expedited administrative approval for the use of a
36 wireless communications device in designated locations.

37 c. Confidentiality protections for students disclosing
38 sensitive family circumstances.

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Remove lines 7-11 and insert:
rather than during instructional time; authorizing
certain students to use wireless communications
devices or school phones at all times during the
school day; requiring the students to coordinate or
create a caregiver accommodation plan with their
schools for the use of wireless communications
devices; requiring district school boards to adopt
specified rules relating to the use of wireless
communications devices during the school day by
certain students; providing an effective date.

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