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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 12, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in terms and courses of study,
6 providing for proposed curriculum changes and online
7 curriculum availability.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
11 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
12 section to read:

13 Section 1529. Proposed Curriculum Changes; Online Curriculum
14 Availability.--(a) All proposed curriculum changes in a school
15 district must be presented at a regular meeting of the board of
16 school directors and may not be approved by the board of school
17 directors until the next regular meeting.

18 (b) Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year and each school
19 year thereafter, a school entity shall post an Internet link or
20 title for every primary resource used by the school entity, a

1 course syllabus or a written summary of each instructional
2 course and the State academic standards for each instructional
3 course offered by the school entity on the school entity's
4 publicly accessible Internet website. The information shall be
5 updated no later than thirty (30) business days after the list
6 of primary resources, syllabi, course descriptions or State
7 academic standards used by the school entity is revised.

8 (c) The chief school administrator or a designee shall be
9 responsible for implementing the requirements under subsection
10 (b).

11 (d) This section shall not be construed to require a school
12 entity to violate the copyright, trademark or other intellectual
13 property right of the creator or owner of the curriculum.

14 (e) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
15 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless
16 the context clearly indicates otherwise:

17 "Chief school administrator." The superintendent of a school
18 district, administrative director of an area career and
19 technical school, executive director of an intermediate unit or
20 a chief executive officer of a charter school, cyber charter
21 school or regional charter school.

22 "Primary resource." A textbook, resource and online
23 materials approved by the governing board of the school entity
24 that are used as the base or primary source of instruction for
25 the course and used consistently by a majority of students in
26 the course.

27 "School entity." A school district, intermediate unit, area
28 career and technical school, charter school, cyber charter
29 school or regional charter school.

30 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.