Education Accountability Committees: Recent Past & Present

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- Susan Mielke, staff, Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education
- Cece Clynch, staff, House Education Committee

Joint Select Committee on Education Accountability

- Created: In E2SSB 6696 in 2010.
 - To be convened no earlier than May 2012.
 - E2SSB 6696 also created an accountability system to be implemented using federal funds; and provided intent to create a system using state funds in the future.
- Members: 8 legislators. 2 from each caucus of the House and the Senate.
- <u>Co-chairs</u>: Chosen from among the Committee's membership.
- Purpose:
 - Identify and analyze options for a complete system of education accountability, particularly consequences in the case of persistent lack of improvement by a Required Action District;
 - Identify and analyze appropriate decision-making responsibilities and accompanying consequences at the building, district, and state level within such an accountability system;
 - Examine models and experiences in other states;
 - Identify the circumstances under which significant state action may be required; and
 - Analyze the financial, legal, and practical considerations that would accompany significant state action.

Joint Select Committee on Education Accountability

Meetings:

- July 30, 2012 Committee Conference call.
- August 29, 2012.
- November 28, 2012.

Reports:

- Interim report due and submitted September 1, 2012.
- Final report with recommendations due September 1, 2013.
- Committee status: Repealed in E2SSB 5329 in 2013.

Education Accountability System Oversight Committee

Created: In E2SSB 5329 (2013).

- Replacing the Joint Select Committee on Education Accountability.
- E2SSB 5329 also made changes to the accountability system created under E2SSB 6696 (2010), and made the system applicable to Title I and non-Title I schools.

Members:

- 8 legislators, 2 from each caucus of the House and the Senate.
- 2 gubernatorial appointees.
- 1 non-legislative member of the Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee.
- Chair: Chosen from among the committee's membership, to serve as chair for no more than one consecutive year.

Purpose:

- Monitor the progress and outcomes of the accountability system;
- Review and make recommendations regarding the proposed assignment of a district to RAD II; and
- Make recommendations, as necessary, if the Committee finds that changes to the accountability system should be made.
- Reports: Biennially, to the education committees of the Legislature.