

HB 1359 -- STATE CONTRACTS AND STUDENT ASSESSMENTS (Smith, 150)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on Government Oversight and Accountability

This bill prohibits any state employee in a decision-making position for a state contract from taking employment with the business, company, or other entity with which the employee was in a decision-making position for that contract for at least two years from the date when the contract was initiated.

The State Board of Education within the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education must, by contract, ensure that each year's statewide student assessment results in grades three through eight are statistically analyzed to determine patterns showing unexpected changes at a particular attendance center. The board must review the analysis to make a preliminary determination of the validity of the center's results that includes the use of a program or application that detects physical signs of test tampering. The board must share the results with the superintendent and school board of each affected district and annually report the results of the analysis at an open meeting.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated Net Cost on General Revenue Fund of \$263,020 in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015. No impact on Other State Funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.