

Senate Bill 487

By: Senators Hickman of the 4th, Payne of the 54th, Dixon of the 45th, Anavitarte of the 31st and Kemp of the 38th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to the Office of Student Achievement, so as to establish the Education  
3 Workforce Data Governance Advisory Committee within the Office of Student Achievement  
4 to advise and assist with matters relating to collection, analysis, and use of education  
5 workforce data and educator recruitment and retention; to provide for membership of the  
6 advisory committee; to provide for meetings of the advisory committee; to provide for duties  
7 of the advisory committee; to provide for recommendations by the advisory committee; to  
8 repeal certain provisions relative to reporting on the effect of nationally certified teachers and  
9 Teacher Alternative Preparation Program teachers on student performance; to provide for  
10 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

12 **SECTION 1.**

13 Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
14 relating to the Office of Student Achievement, is amended by revising Code Section  
15 20-14-28, relating to reporting on effect of nationally certified teachers on student  
16 performance, as follows:

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17 "20-14-28.

18 ~~When the state-wide comprehensive educational information system provided for in Code~~  
19 ~~Section 20-2-320 becomes functional, the office shall conduct a longitudinal study of the~~  
20 ~~effect of nationally certified teachers on student performance in Georgia. Thereafter, the~~  
21 ~~office shall prepare an annual report addressing the question of whether nationally certified~~  
22 ~~and Teacher Alternative Preparation Program teachers have improved student performance~~  
23 ~~in Georgia. The office shall submit such report to the State Board of Education and shall~~  
24 ~~notify the members of the General Assembly of the availability of such report in the~~  
25 ~~manner which it deems to be most effective and efficient.~~

26 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'advisory committee' means the Education  
27 Workforce Data Governance Advisory Committee established pursuant to this Code  
28 section.

29 (b) The director shall establish the Education Workforce Data Governance Advisory  
30 Committee, the membership of which shall comprise:

31 (1) One representative from the Professional Standards Commission;

32 (2) One representative from the Department of Education;

33 (3) One representative from the Department of Early Care and Learning;

34 (4) One representative from the University System of Georgia; and

35 (5) One representative from the Technical College System of Georgia.

36 (c) The advisory committee shall meet not less than once per quarter.

37 (d) The advisory committee shall advise and assist the office in:

38 (1) Establishing goals, objectives, policies, methods, and standards for the collection,  
39 analysis, and use of education workforce data;

40 (2) Identifying data sources and differences in metrics used by different data sources;

41 (3) Creating a unified framework to reduce redundant district requests and enable  
42 efficient collaboration;

43 (4) Developing definitions for relevant terminology;

44 (5) Mapping data and exploring integration of data from the office, the Professional  
45 Standards Commission, the Department of Education, the University System of Georgia,  
46 the Technical College System of Georgia, and local school systems and other public  
47 schools;

48 (6) Developing a public data dashboard which shall include all data collected by the  
49 office that can be made available to the public regarding educator recruitment and  
50 retention; and

51 (7) Preparing the annual report regarding the Georgia education workforce provided for  
52 in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27.

53 (e) The advisory committee shall make recommendations to the office regarding potential  
54 means of improving and supporting educator recruitment and retention."

55 **SECTION 2.**

56 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.