

House Bill 1604

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 20-2-161 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
2 Quality Basic Education Formula, so as to require the task force reviewing the effectiveness  
3 of existing program weights under the "Quality Basic Education Act" to meet every two  
4 years rather than every three years; to require such task force to prepare and submit a report;  
5 to provide for the requirements of such report; to provide for related matters; to provide an  
6 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 20-2-161 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Quality  
10 Basic Education Formula, is amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:

11 "(f) As the relative costs of the various program components will change over time and as  
12 some components will need to be added or removed, the Governor shall appoint a task  
13 force every ~~three~~ two years, effective on the first day of each biennium of the General  
14 Assembly, for the purposes of reviewing the effectiveness of existing program weights and  
15 recommending to the General Assembly any changes needed. This task force shall be  
16 ~~comprised~~ composed of members or staff of the General Assembly, the State Board of

17 Education, the Governor's office, and representatives of local school systems. The task  
18 force shall prepare and submit a report to the Governor by December 1 of the first year of  
19 each biennium. The report shall include, but shall not be limited to:

20 (1) Data on the how teacher certification and years of teaching experience correlate to  
21 actual teacher costs;

22 (2) An analysis of the correlations among a teacher's certification, educational  
23 attainment, years of teaching experience, and salary; and

24 (3) Recommended changes, if any, to this Code section or Code Sections 20-2-874  
25 through 20-2-930."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2027.

28 **SECTION 3.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.