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Bill Analysis

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(As Reported by H. Education)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the Director of Job and Family Services by September 1, 2014, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, to develop and maintain an online education and career planning tool to assist students in developing education and career plans.

- Requires the Director to provide information regarding the online planning tool and all appropriate website links, including a link to the OhioMeansJobs website, to the Department of Education by September 1, 2014.

- Requires the Department of Education to post the online planning tool and other information received from the Director in a prominent location on its website and to distribute that information to all public high schools by September 30 each year.

- Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, requires each public high school, by April 1 of each year, to distribute information on the online planning tool to parents and students.

- Requires the Department of Education to annually survey high school administrators and guidance counselors regarding their use of the online planning tool and to provide the results of the survey to the Director of Job and Family Services to support future refinements and improvements to the online planning tool.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Online education and career planning tool

Development and updates

The bill requires the Director of Job and Family Services, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, by September 1, 2014, to develop and maintain an online education and career planning tool to assist students in developing education and career plans.[1] The Director must provide to the Department of Education by that date information regarding the online planning tool and all appropriate website links, including a link to the OhioMeansJobs website (which is the electronic system for labor exchange and job placement activity operated by the state[2]).

Following the initial development of the online planning tool, the Director must periodically update the online planning tool and other information as determined necessary by the Director and provide those updates to the Department of Education.

The Department of Education must post the information it receives from the Director in a prominent location on its website.

Distribution

The bill requires the Department of Education, by September 30 of each year, to distribute to all public high schools the information on the online education and career planning tool provided by the Director of Job and Family Services.[3]

Additionally, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, each public high school must publish or provide, not later than April 1 of each year, in its newsletter, high school planning guide, regular publication provided to parents and students, or in a prominent location on the school website information regarding the online planning tool, including the web address for the planning tool and a link to the website and a link to the OhioMeansJobs website.[4]

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[1] R.C. 6301.15.

[2] R.C. 6301.01(I), not in the bill.

[3] R.C. 3301.45(A).

[4] R.C. 3313.89.

For purposes of these provisions, a public high school is a school operated by a school district, community school, STEM school, or college-preparatory boarding school.[5]

Annual survey

On an annual basis, the Department of Education must survey high school administrators and guidance counselors regarding their use of the online education and career planning tool. The Department must provide the results of this survey to the Director of Job and Family Services to support future refinements and improvements to the online planning tool.[6]

HISTORY

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[5] R.C. 3301.45, 3313.89, 3314.03(A)(11)(d), 3326.11, and 3328.24.

[6] R.C. 3301.45(B).