

CHAPTER 235**(HB 292)**

AN ACT relating to Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. KRS 158.647 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) A permanent subcommittee of the Legislative Research Commission to be known as the Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee is hereby created. The subcommittee shall be composed of eight (8) members, ***including four (4) members from each chamber***~~[no more than five (5) of whom shall be members of the same political party]~~. The Legislative Research Commission shall appoint, from the membership of the General Assembly, the members of the subcommittee for terms of two (2) years, and the members~~se~~ appointed ***from each chamber*** shall elect one (1) ***member from their chamber***~~[of their number]~~ to serve as ***co-chair***~~[chair]~~. ***The co-chairs shall have joint responsibilities for subcommittee meeting agendas and presiding at subcommittee meetings. At least one (1) member appointed from each chamber shall be a member of the minority party in that chamber. A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum and all actions authorizing a study, dropping a study, or adopting a final report on any subject under study shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the full subcommittee membership. All other actions of the subcommittee may be undertaken by a simple majority.*** Any vacancy that may occur in the membership of the subcommittee shall be filled by the Legislative Research Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting after the occurrence of the vacancy.
- (2) The subcommittee shall review administrative regulations and advise the Kentucky Board of Education concerning the implementation of the state system of assessment and accountability, established in KRS 158.6453, 158.6455, and 158.782.
- (3) The subcommittee shall advise and monitor the Office of Education Accountability in the performance of its duties according to the provisions of KRS 7.410.
- (4) The subcommittee ***may***~~[shall]~~ meet ***monthly*** at a time and place as the ***co-chairs***~~[chair]~~ may determine. The members of the subcommittee shall be compensated for attending meetings as provided in KRS 7.090.
- (5) Any professional, clerical, or other employees required by the subcommittee shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of KRS 7.090.

Section 2. Whereas the subcommittee typically meets soon after the end of a regular session and prior to the end of the ninety days required for most bills to become law, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon it otherwise becoming law.

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