

Senator J. Stuart Adams proposes the following substitute bill:

EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY AMENDMENTS

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill provides that for the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education is not required to assign to each school an overall rating using an A through F letter grading scale.

Highlighted Provisions:

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None



Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53E-5-204, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 186

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **53E-5-204** is amended to read:

53E-5-204. Rating schools.

(1) Except as provided in Subsection (3), and in accordance with this part, the state board shall annually assign to each school an overall rating using an A through F letter grading scale where, based on the school's performance level on the indicators described in Subsection

(2):

- (a) an A grade represents an exemplary school;
- (b) a B grade represents a commendable school;
- (c) a C grade represents a typical school;
- (d) a D grade represents a developing school; and
- (e) an F grade represents a critical needs school.

(2) A school's overall rating described in Subsection (1) shall be based on the school's performance on the indicators described in:

- (a) Section **53E-5-205**, for an elementary school or a middle school; or
- (b) Section **53E-5-206**, for a high school.

(3) (a) For a school year in which the state board determines it is necessary to establish, due to a transition to a new assessment, a new baseline to determine student growth described in Section **53E-5-210**, the state board is not required to assign an overall rating described in Subsection (1) to a school to which the new baseline applies.

(b) For the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school [year] years, the state board:

- (i) shall evaluate a school based on the school's performance level on the indicators described in Subsection (2) and in accordance with this part; and
- (ii) is not required to assign a school an overall rating described in Subsection (1).

Section 2. **Effective date.**

56 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect
57 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah
58 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,
59 the date of veto override.