



**House Education Policy Reported Substitute for
HB95**

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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to virtual education; to authorize full-time students to complete state required assessments through closed browser remote testing; to specify the conditions for administering the assessments; and to exempt public institutions of higher education from this act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) Any virtual school or program operating in this state may administer state required assessments in a virtual setting that aligns with the regular academic instruction of the student, subject to all of the following conditions:

- (1) The assessment is administered to the student on an assigned date and at an assigned time.
- (2) The student attends a synchronous assessment session initiated and managed by personnel designated by the virtual school or program.
- (3) The assessment is administered to the student through a device that permits the assessment proctor to monitor the student by video for the entire duration of the assessment administration.



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29 (4) If the assessment platform does not allow
30 integrated camera proctoring, the student uses two devices for
31 the entire duration of the assessment administration: One
32 device on which the student takes the assessment and a second
33 device which allows the assessment proctor to monitor the
34 student via a camera. If the assessment platform allows for
35 the assessment proctor to view the student and background, a
36 second device is not required.

37 (5) The virtual school or program maintains a student
38 assessment taker to assessment proctor ratio of 10 to one or
39 lower.

40 (6) The student does not exit the assessment
41 administration area until instructed to do so by the assigned
42 assessment proctor.

43 (7) Submission of the assessment is verified by the
44 assessment proctor.

45 (b) This section shall not apply to either of the
46 following:

47 (1) Public institutions of higher education.

48 (2) College readiness or workforce readiness
49 assessments provided by a national college and career
50 readiness assessment provider until those assessments are
51 available via remote access.

52 Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1,
53 2024.