

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 280

LCO No. **2003**

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE

Introduced by: (CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE COLLECTION AND REPORTING OF STUDENT DATA RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) On or before June 30, 2020, 2 and annually thereafter, each school district shall submit to the 3 Commissioner of Education a report for the preceding academic year 4 that shall include, but need not be limited to, the following: (1) The total 5 number of computer science courses or programs offered in each school, 6 including information regarding the nature of such courses or programs 7 and whether such programs are advanced placement computer science courses, to the extent such information is available; (2) the number and 8 9 percentage of students who enrolled in a computer science course or 10 program, disaggregated by (A) gender, (B) race and ethnicity, (C) 11 special education status, (D) English language learner status, (E) 12 eligibility for free or reduced price lunches, and (F) grade level; and (3) 13 the number of computer science instructors at each school, 14 disaggregated by (A) certification, if applicable, (B) gender, and (C) 15 highest academic degree. The Department of Education shall post each

16 report in a conspicuous place on its Internet web site.

17 (b) On or before February 1, 2021, and annually thereafter, the 18 Commissioner of Education shall submit a report detailing the data 19 compiled pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the joint standing 20 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 21 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a 22 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require school districts to report regarding the number of computer science courses or programs offered in each school, student participation in such courses or programs and the number of computer science instructors at each school.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]