

A RESOLUTION

20-470

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 6, 2014

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the State Education Office Establishment Act of 2000 to authorize the collection of individual educator evaluation data by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education and to exempt that data from public disclosure.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Educator Evaluation Data Collection Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2014”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to enact emergency legislation to amend the State Education Office Establishment Act of 2000, effective October 21, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-176; D.C. Official Code § 38-2601 *et seq.*), to authorize the collection of individual educator evaluation data by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (“OSSE”) and to exempt that data from public disclosure.

(b) As part of the District’s Race to the Top application, which was awarded on September 24, 2010, the District made a commitment to create and implement an evaluation system of teacher-preparation programs. This evaluation system shall be based, in part, on educator evaluation data.

(c) To date, OSSE has developed the evaluation system and has collected educator evaluation data from local education agencies; however, several local education agencies have refused to provide this data because of the potential that data associated with the educators’ evaluations may be disclosed to the public or the media.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Educator Evaluation Data Collection Emergency Amendment Act of 2014 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.