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**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HB 228**

Senators Harbison of the 15th, Anivartarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th, Setzler of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, and others offered the following amendment:

1 *Amend the Senate Committee on Higher Education substitute to HB 228 (LC 50 0585S)*  
 2 *by replacing line 3 with the following:*

3 private colleges and universities; to require the administration of a nationally  
 4 recognized multiple-aptitude battery assessment that measures developed abilities and  
 5 helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military to public school  
 6 students in grades 11 and 12 who choose to participate; to prohibit the use of  
 7 assessment results in education accountability programs; to provide for parents and  
 8 guardians to opt their children out of participating in such assessments; to provide for  
 9 related matters; to provide for legislative

10 *By inserting after line 82 the following:*

11 Said title is further amended in Part 12 of Article 6 of Chapter 2, relating to effectiveness  
 12 of educational programs, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

13 "20-2-281.2.

14 (a) Each public school and local school system with students enrolled in grades 11 and  
 15 12 shall select and administer to public school students enrolled in grades 11 and 12  
 16 who choose to participate a nationally recognized multiple-aptitude battery assessment  
 17 that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational  
 18 success in the military. Such administration shall occur during normal school hours and  
 19 shall be made available school wide and system wide. All students enrolled in grades

20 11 and 12 shall have the opportunity to participate at least once in the administration of  
21 such assessment.

22 (b) No result of any assessment provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section shall  
23 be part of any education accountability assessment program provided for in Article 2 of  
24 Chapter 14 of this title.

25 (c) In the event that a parent or guardian of a student elects for their child not to  
26 participate in the administration of an assessment provided for in subsection (a) of this  
27 Code section, such student's school or school system shall not administer the assessment  
28 to that student."

29 **SECTION 6.**