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Mr. Speaker:

The Education Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **2nd Sub. H.B. 273**, CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY AMENDMENTS, by Representative A. Defay, with the following amendments:

Amendment 1

1 *Line 123 through 129:*

123 **53G-7-228 (Effective 07/01/26)** Classroom technology requirements -- Model

124 policy on balanced technology.

125 (1) (a) As used in this section:

126 (i) "Instructional technology" means technology **an LEA issues to** a student ~~{uses}~~ in
connection ~~{to}~~ **with** the

127 student's public education, including:

128 (A) an electronic device;

129 (B) a digital tool; or

2 *Line 239 through 245:*

239 teacher-led, print-based, and analog methods;

240 (D) limiting the use of instructional technology to only instances with direct

241 teacher supervision for a defined academic purpose;

242 (E) prohibiting a public school from sending ~~{a school issued}~~ instructional

243 technology home with a student;

244 (F) prohibiting homework requiring access to the internet or instructional

245 technology; and

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Amendment 3

1 Line 277 through 292:

- 277 (e) a public school located within the boundaries of a tribal nation where the LEA is the
278 internet service provider; or
279 (f) instructional technology use consistent with a student's IEP or 504 plan.
280 (7) {(a) Upon the adoption of the policy required under Subsection (3)(h)(i) or (3)(h)
(ii),}
281 {an LEA shall submit a report to the state board, detailing:}
282 {(i) the specifics of the policy the LEA adopts;}
283 {(ii) the LEA's plan for:}
284 {(A) professional development of faculty and staff related to the adoption of the }
285 {policy; and }
286 {(B) monitoring compliance with the new policy;}
287 {(iii) use of instructional technology in the classroom;}
288 {(iv) monitoring and compliance of a public school within the LEA's jurisdiction;
and }
289 {(v) implementation efforts and outcomes.}
(a) Upon the adoption of the policy required under Subsection (3)(h)(i) or (3)(h)(ii), an
LEA shall submit a report to the state board detailing the specifics of the policy the LEA
adopts.
290 (b) An LEA that changes the policy after submitting the report described in Subsection
291 (7)(a) shall submit the updated policy to the state board.
292 (8) (a) As a condition of receiving state funds allocated for digital literacy, computer

2 Line 367 through 373:

- 367 (b) complies with the requirements of the model policy on balanced technology use in
- 368 the classroom described in Section 53G-7-228;
- 369 (c) encourages a reduction in student and educator workload through the use of AI tools;
- 370 (d) requires educators to only use **student facing** AI tools an LEA approves;
- 371 (e) requires educators to retain professional judgment and instructional responsibility
- 372 when using AI tools in the educator's classroom;
- 373 (f) prohibits educators from using generative artificial intelligence to independently

Respectfully,

R. Neil Walter
Chair

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