

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 880

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1 Amend Bill, page 2, line 1, by inserting after "(b)"

2 The following shall apply:

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4 Amend Bill, page 2, line 1, by inserting after "Code"

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6 Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 8 and 9

7 (2) The Department of Education shall investigate and
8 develop alternatives in addition to the use of the Keystone
9 Exams as a requirement for graduation and shall, within six (6)
10 months of the effective date of this paragraph, issue a report
11 of the Department of Education's findings and recommendations,
12 including proposed legislation, to the chairman and minority
13 chairman of the Education Committee of the Senate and the
14 chairman and minority chairman of the Education Committee of the
15 House of Representatives. The report shall, at a minimum,
16 contain a detailed plan and timeline within which the Department
17 of Education shall accomplish all of the following:

18 (i) Implement alternative methods for students to
19 demonstrate proficiency for graduation in addition to the
20 Keystone Exams, project-based assessment and other alternative
21 assessments provided for in 22 Pa. Code § 4.24.

22 (ii) Improve and expedite the evaluation of project-based
23 assessments.

24 (iii) Ensure that no student is prohibited from
25 participation in vocational-technical education or elective
26 courses or programs as a result of supplemental instruction
27 required in 22 Pa. Code §§ 4.24(k) and 4.51b(f) (relating to
28 Keystone Exams).