

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; CREATING THE MEDIA LITERACY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING DUTIES TO THE PUBLIC EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT PERTAINING TO MEDIA LITERACY EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

**SECTION 1. TEMPORARY PROVISION--MEDIA LITERACY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE CREATED--MEMBERSHIP--DUTIES.--**

A. The "media literacy advisory committee" is
created. The media literacy advisory committee shall advise
the public education department on media literacy in public
schools. The committee shall function from July 1, 2019
through September 1, 2020.

B. The secretary of public education shall appoint
a maximum of fifteen members to the media literacy advisory
committee, which may include:

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1 (1) a staff member from the public education
2 department who works with educational technology and media
3 literacy;

4 (2) a curriculum and instruction
5 representative from the public education department;

6 (3) a public school student representative;

7 (4) a public school teacher;

8 (5) a public school administrator;

9 (6) an educational technologist;

10 (7) a public school librarian;

11 (8) a media literacy expert;

12 (9) a representative from a teacher
13 organization;

14 (10) a representative from a parent
15 organization;

16 (11) a representative from a children's
17 organization;

18 (12) a representative from a health
19 organization;

20 (13) a representative from a social work
21 organization;

22 (14) a representative from a counseling
23 organization;

24 (15) a representative from a substance abuse
25 organization;

- 1 (16) a representative from the department of
2 health;
- 3 (17) a representative from a state educational
4 institution;
- 5 (18) a representative from a community
6 college;
- 7 (19) a representative from a literacy
8 organization;
- 9 (20) a representative from the information
10 technology sector;
- 11 (21) an attorney licensed to practice law in
12 New Mexico;
- 13 (22) a tribal representative;
- 14 (23) a special education expert;
- 15 (24) an English language learner expert; and
- 16 (25) a homeless youth and families
17 representative.

18 C. The chair of the media literacy advisory
19 committee shall be elected by the committee. The committee
20 shall meet at the call of the chair.

21 D. Members of the media literacy advisory committee
22 are entitled to receive per diem and mileage as provided in the
23 Per Diem and Mileage Act and shall receive no other
24 compensation, perquisite or allowance.

25 E. The secretary of public education shall provide

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1 staff support for the media literacy advisory committee in the
2 performance of its duties.

3 F. A simple majority of the media literacy advisory
4 committee members constitutes a quorum. A member of the
5 committee shall abstain from voting or the member's vote shall
6 be disqualified on any matter in which the member has a
7 pecuniary interest.

8 G. Members of the media literacy advisory committee
9 shall serve from the time of appointment until September 1,
10 2020.

11 H. The media literacy advisory committee shall meet
12 at least four times before September 1, 2020. The committee
13 shall comply with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

14 SECTION 2. TEMPORARY PROVISION--PUBLIC EDUCATION
15 DEPARTMENT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.--

16 A. The public education department shall review and
17 update the state kindergarten through twelfth grade learning
18 standards for educational technology that align with
19 definitions of media literacy, national standards and state
20 education standards in all subjects. The department shall
21 consult with the media literacy advisory committee in reviewing
22 the standards.

23 B. The public education department shall review
24 rules and policies pertaining to media literacy, including
25 electronic resources and internet safety, and encourage each

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1 school district to review school district policies pertaining
2 to media literacy on an annual basis.

3 C. The public education department shall develop
4 guidelines for professional development for teachers, including
5 librarians, focused on integrating media literacy education
6 across all grades and content areas. The department shall
7 approve professional development and ensure that it aligns with
8 the department's standards and benchmarks.

9 D. The public education department shall survey
10 school administrators, teachers, librarians and educational
11 technologists to determine how media literacy education is
12 integrated in public school curricula. The department shall
13 use the survey information to determine how to increase access
14 to media literacy education across all grades and content areas
15 in public schools.

16 E. The public education department shall consult
17 with the media literacy advisory committee to develop the
18 survey contents.

19 F. The public education department shall report to
20 the legislative education study committee by September 1, 2020
21 on the department's and media literacy advisory committee's
22 progress and deliver its final report to the governor and the
23 legislative education study committee no later than November 1,
24 2020.

25 G. As used in this section, "media literacy" means

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1 the ability to access, analyze, evaluate, create and
2 communicate with media and digital products.

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