



**House Education Policy Reported Substitute for  
SB48**

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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to public preK-12 education; to require the posting of classroom curricula on the website of the school; to permit parents or guardians of enrolled students, upon request, to request information on instructional and supplemental materials used in the classroom; to provide a complaint process; and to provide for the reporting of the number of complaints to the State Superintendent of Education and the Legislature.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) At the beginning of each school year, and no later than 30 calendar days after a new or revised curriculum is adopted, the local superintendent of education and local board of education shall verify that each school under the jurisdiction of the board has posted current adopted curricula for each class on the website of the school. Access to the online curricula shall be made available to students, parents, or guardians of enrolled students through the school website. If a school has no accessible website, the curricula shall be posted on the website of the local board of education or the State Department of Education.



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29 (b) Each classroom teacher shall comply with the  
30 request of any parent or guardian by providing a detailed  
31 summary, by email, telephone, or other electronic means, of  
32 instructional materials adopted by the local board of  
33 education, supplementary instructional materials in the  
34 classroom that were not adopted by the local board of  
35 education, and books in the classroom that are available for  
36 students to read, subject to all of the following:

37 (1) Only the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in  
38 the class may make a request pursuant to this subsection.

39 (2) If a parent or guardian would like further  
40 information regarding how the instructional materials relate  
41 to the content standards adopted by the State Board of  
42 Education or to physically examine any instructional materials  
43 used in the classroom, the parent or guardian may request that  
44 the local board of educational allow that examination at the  
45 next work session of the board. The board shall notify the  
46 parent or guardian and the teacher of the issues involved and  
47 the date and time of the next work session.

48 (c) For any class in which reading books is required,  
49 the classroom teacher shall include the titles of the books on  
50 a class syllabus. Upon the request of the parent or guardian  
51 of a child enrolled in the class, the classroom teacher shall  
52 make the syllabus available to the parent or guardian.

53 (d) If a classroom teacher fails to comply with this  
54 section, the parent or guardian may file a complaint with the  
55 local superintendent of education on a form developed and  
56 provided by the local superintendent of education. If the



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57 complaint is not resolved by the local superintendent of  
58 education within 10 school days, the parent or guardian may  
59 file a complaint with the State Superintendent of Education,  
60 or his or her designee. The State Superintendent of Education  
61 shall make a form available for parents or guardians to file a  
62 complaint pursuant to this subsection.

63 (e) (1) On or before September 1 annually, each local  
64 superintendent of education shall report the number of  
65 complaints filed with him or her during the previous school  
66 year to the State Superintendent of Education. On or before  
67 October 1 annually, the State Superintendent of Education  
68 shall report the total number of complaints filed during the  
69 previous school year, statewide and by county, to the Chairs  
70 of the Senate Education Policy Committee and the House of  
71 Representatives Education Policy Committee.

72 (2) Any complaint filed by a parent or guardian  
73 pursuant to this section is an educational record of the  
74 student on whose behalf the complaint was filed and shall not  
75 be released or viewed, except as provided in this section and  
76 where the release or viewing is otherwise consistent with the  
77 federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974  
78 (FERPA) and state law.

79 Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1,  
80 2024.