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5 Replace lines 70 through 76 on page 3 with the following:

6 (d)(1) The Alabama Public Education Paperwork
7 Reduction Committee is created. The committee shall
8 consist of teachers representing all grade levels and as
9 many subject matters as practicable. The committee shall
10 include one principal, one curriculum director, one
11 special education coordinator, one instructional coach,
12 and one interventionist. Not less than 75 percent of the
13 membership of the committee shall consist of
14 nonadministrative teachers actively engaged in full-time
15 classroom instruction.

16 (2)a. The organizational meeting of the committee
17 shall be held no later than September 1, 2025. At the
18 organizational meeting, and annually thereafter, the
19 membership of the committee shall elect a chair from
20 among its membership. The committee shall meet quarterly
21 to assess the effectiveness of paperwork streamlining
22 measures, offer recommendations for further improvement,
23 and ensure that teachers' needs are being met in the
24 areas of paperwork reduction. If more than 100 days have



25 elapsed since the last meeting of the committee, a
26 meeting may be called by the chair or by written petition
27 of a majority of the membership of the committee.

28 b. Members of the committee may participate in a
29 meeting of the committee by means of telephone
30 conference, video conference, or similar communications
31 equipment by means of which all members participating in
32 the meeting may hear each other at the same time.

33 Participation by such means shall constitute presence in
34 person at a meeting for all purposes, including
35 constituting a quorum.

36 (3) The State Superintendent of Education shall
37 solicit applications from teachers to serve on the
38 committee. From those applications, the state
39 superintendent shall submit recommendations to the State
40 Board of Education for appointment to a two-year term.
41 The nominating and appointing authorities shall
42 coordinate their nominations and appointments to assure
43 the committee membership is inclusive and reflects the
44 racial, gender, geographic, urban, rural, and economic
45 diversity of the state. Vacancies shall be filled in a
46 like manner.

47 (4) The committee shall submit a report to the State
48 Superintendent of Education after each meeting. The



49 report shall include recommendations for reducing
50 paperwork requirements for public school teachers and an
51 overview detailing the effectiveness of existing
52 measures. The State Superintendent of Education shall
53 respond, in writing, to the recommendations of the
54 committee and shall submit each report, with his or her
55 response, to the State Board of Education for discussion
56 during the next board meeting. No additional required
57 paperwork mandate shall be implemented by the State
58 Department of Education or State Board of Education
59 without first vetting the requirement with and receiving
60 approval from the committee.

61 (5) Members of the committee shall not be compensated
62 for their service but may be reimbursed their actual
63 expenses for attending committee meetings. A local board
64 of education shall provide any teacher appointed to the
65 committee with permission to attend committee meetings
66 and may not deduct from that teacher's leave or pay for
67 his or her attendance of committee meetings.