HB 1596 -- Educational Programs for Gifted and Talented Children

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This bill requires the State Board of Education to designate a staff member to be in charge of educational programs for gifted and talented children. The staff member must develop an approval process for educational programs for these children by September 1, 2013; receive and maintain descriptions of all programs for these children; collect and maintain the annual growth-in-learning data; identify funding sources; and serve as the main contact person on this subject. The state board may provide supervision, quality assurance, compliance monitoring, and oversight of local programs; analyze performance outcome data; and establish personnel standards and a program of personnel development for teachers and administrators in the education of gifted and talented children.