

HB 473 -- SCHOOL ACCREDITATION AND STUDENT TRANSFERS

SPONSOR: Smith (85)

This bill requires the State Board of Education to adopt a system of classification that accredits attendance centers within a district separately from the district as a whole.

This bill specifies the student-to-teacher and student-to-counselor ratio that is required if a school district or attendance center is classified as unaccredited by the state board of education. The costs of the additional teaching staff needed to comply with the student-to-teacher ratio shall be paid for by the state.

This bill limits the aggregate amount of tuition a receiving district may charge for students transferring from an unaccredited or lapsed school district, as specified in the bill.

This bill is similar to HB 1206 (2015).