

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

ACTION: Reports and Requirements Task Force Update

Agenda item type:

Action Item

Recommended Action:

That the Board directs staff to: 1) prepare draft rules in accordance with the Task Force recommendations for committee review; and 2) work with a legislator to open a bill file to amend the School Plant Capital Outlay Report requirements to reduce LEA reporting.

Background:

In the 2021 General Session, the Legislature directed (2021 [HB 300](#)) the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) to work with LEAs to review the statutorily required reports for their purpose, effectiveness, and to determine if the accountability, transparency, or the reports' purpose could be collected in a less burdensome way. The bill also allowed for the USBE to make recommendations to the legislature based on their review of the reporting requirements. On August 9, 2022, the USBE convened a Task Force to review the reporting requirements. The Task Force was comprised of legislators from both the House and Senate, USBE Board members and staff, State Charter School Board (SCSB) members and staff, district superintendents and charter directors, business administrators from both districts and charters as well as representatives from both, the superintendent's association, and the charter network. Since August 9th, the Task Force has met six times and spent a combined 350 hours reviewing the required reports. LEAs provided feedback on the reporting requirements in the form of survey responses. USBE staff reviewed the survey responses and shared the results with the Task Force. The Task Force discussed the reports with USBE staff and made recommendations. The Task Force has compiled seven recommendations to present to the USBE on ways to reduce the reporting burden on LEAs.

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Attachments:

1. Task Force Recommendations Jan 27, 2023