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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 847, L.D. 1333, “An Act to Protect Children by Modernizing Internet and Digital Media Filtering Requirements for Education”

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the substitute title and inserting the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Department of Education to report on school Internet and student data collection best practices. Resolved: That, no later than January 15, 2025, the Department of Education shall submit to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters a report on school Internet and student data collection policies and efforts to ensure that the State is using best practices, including but not limited to ensuring that schools are using appropriate Internet and digital media filtering hardware and software, that student data and information are not being divulged to Internet-based applications or search engines such as Google or other similar products and that monitoring or other tracking software and data are not being used or collected from devices used by or provided to students. The report must include findings on best practices and recommendations, including suggested legislation, on ensuring schools are using these best practices. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters may report out a bill related to the report to the 132nd Legislature in 2025.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF
Learning Systems Team Z081

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the costs associated with preparing a report on school Internet and student data collection best practices.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$0	\$5,000
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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$5,000

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Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to change the date by which the Department of Education must submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs in the 131st Legislature, instead requiring that the department issue the report no later than January 15, 2025 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters.

This amendment also replaces the appropriations and allocations section to move the available funding from fiscal year 2023-24 to fiscal year 2024-25.

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