

Wyoming Liberty Index

62nd Wyoming Legislature ★ 2014 Budget Session

HB0028, State education accountability and assessment.

Sponsors: Select Committee on Statewide Education Accountability

Comments

More accountability for teachers and schools, but no fundamental reform.

A: This bill contains appropriations of \$285,000. Looks like well-intentioned legislative micromanagement. Truly a bureaucrat's wet dream. The changes do seem to clean up some of the verbosity associated with trying to make the government school monopoly work. In spite of this, it still remains that this is an effort to throw more resources at a system that has already been proven to not work quite to everyone's satisfaction. It seems that it would be better to list a set of QUANTIFIABLE goals for the Director of Education and provide the money pursuant to the Director of Education creating a set of regulations that the legislature would approve before releasing the funds. Where this truly misses the boat is in building the bureaucracy when it should be decentralizing school selection and requirements down to parents who actually know what their child needs rather than building another government empire-building boondoggle with another idiotic one-size-fits-all program. After all, governmental centralization is always inimical to Liberty. If it is truly needed, it would be better to meet the goals that seem to be implicit in the text using something like a voucher program.

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