FINAL BILL REPORT SB 5322

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Prohibiting dual enrollment between school employees' benefits board and public employees' benefits board programs.

Sponsors: Senators Robinson and Wilson, C.; by request of Health Care Authority.

Senate Committee on Ways & Means House Committee on Appropriations

Background: Healthcare benefits for all eligible school employees are provided by the School Employees' Benefits Board (SEBB). SEBB is responsible for determining the terms of employee and dependent eligibility and enrollment policies, subject to the condition that employees anticipated to work at least 630 hours per year qualify for coverage. Beginning with the 2022 plan year, dual coverage under SEBB and benefits provided under the Public Employees' Benefits Board (PEBB) is prohibited for the same type of coverage.

Summary: An employee eligible for both PEBB and SEBB health insurance coverage must choose coverage from the same program, rather than selecting some benefits from each program.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0
House	98	0

Effective: July 25, 2021

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