

**SB 6532-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to request the United States department of education to provide flexibility to local school districts in selecting the assessments administered in grades three, five, six, and eight in reading and mathematics as required by P.L. 107-110. The superintendent shall request the flexibility to incorporate a combination of statewide and locally selected assessments to provide options for school district boards of directors to use in grades three, five, six, and eight.

Provides that, in developing the proposal to request flexibility, the superintendent of public instruction shall work with local school directors, school districts, school administrators, teachers, principals, other school staff, and parents.

Provides that, after receiving approval from the United States department of education, the superintendent of public instruction shall revise the Washington state accountability plan required under section 1111 of P.L. 107-110, the no child left behind act of 2001, to incorporate the flexibility into the plan.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to submit the revised Washington state accountability plan to the education committees of the legislature for review no later than the 2007 legislative session.