## (DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that, to the extent funds are appropriated, by January 15, 2007, the superintendent of public instruction must develop standards for educational interpreters of students who are deaf or hard of hearing. The standards must be focused on the specific skills and knowledge necessary to serve the communication needs of these students.

Provides that by January 15, 2007, the superintendent must report to the education committees of the legislature and also recommend an implementation schedule for the standards. The superintendent of public instruction must obtain formal legislative approval through legislation before the implementation of any standards for educational interpreters.