

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0120

Student assessment measures.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Throne, Craft and Kimble  
and Senator(s) Sessions

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; modifying statewide  
2 assessment as specified; and providing for an effective  
3 date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-2-304(a)(v)(B) is amended to read:

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9 **21-2-304. Duties of the state board of education.**

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11 (a) The state board of education shall:

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13 (v) Through the state superintendent and in  
14 consultation and coordination with local school districts,  
15 implement a statewide assessment system comprised of a  
16 coherent system of measures that when combined, provide a

1 reliable and valid measure of individual student  
2 achievement for each public school and school district  
3 within the state, and the performance of the state as a  
4 whole. Improvement of teaching and learning in schools and  
5 fostering school program improvement shall be the primary  
6 purposes of statewide assessment of student performance in  
7 Wyoming. The statewide assessment system shall:

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9 (B) Be administered at appropriate levels  
10 at specified grades and at appropriate intervals aligned to  
11 the standards, specifically assessing student performance  
12 in reading, ~~writing~~ and mathematics at grades four (4),  
13 eight (8) and eleven (11), and effective school year 2005-  
14 2006, and each school year thereafter, assessing student  
15 performance in reading, ~~writing~~ and mathematics at grades  
16 three (3) through eight (8) and at grade eleven (11). In  
17 addition and commencing school year 2007-2008 and each  
18 school year thereafter, the statewide assessment system  
19 shall assess student performance in science not less than  
20 once within each grade band for grades three (3) through  
21 five (5), grades six (6) through eight (8) and grades ten  
22 (10) through twelve (12). The structure and design of the  
23 assessment system shall allow for the comprehensive  
24 measurement of student performance through assessments that

1 are administered each school year simultaneously on a  
2 statewide basis and through assessments administered  
3 periodically over the course of the school year which are  
4 designed to provide a more comprehensive and in-depth  
5 measurement of subject areas aligned to the state content  
6 and performance standards. The assessment system may also  
7 measure the other common core of knowledge and skills  
8 established under W.S. 21-9-101(b) which can be quantified;

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10       **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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