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SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

SENATE BILL 34 (version W)

State-Tribal Education Compacting

- Sec. 1: Adds uncodified law directing the state Board of Education and Early Development (SBOE):
- (a) To negotiate a demonstration state-tribal education compact with federally recognized tribes (FRT) and tribal organizations in the state not to exceed a term of 5 years and for no more than 5 schools.
 - (b) Have a deadline of December 31, 2022 for FRTs to express their interest and to identify parties of the negotiation;
 - (c) For negotiations to commence by March 31, 2023, which must include existing local school boards where applicable;
 - (d) Have a deadline of January 31, 2024 for the SBOE to file a report to the legislature on its findings and recommendations, which may include proposed legislation modeling a formal compact.
 - (e) Defines “board” as the state Board of Education and Early Development
- Sec. 2: Adds a conditional effect to uncodified law, directing that the compacts negotiated in 1(a) above must subsequently include legislation enacted by June 30, 2026 authorizing the formal establishment of state-tribal education compact schools.
- Sec. 3: Establishes an immediate effective date.