Session of 2023

## **HOUSE BILL No. 2278**

By Committee on Education

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to safe and secure school plans; requiring the state department of education to audit such plans; providing for on-site compliance inspections.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) During school year 2023-2024 2024-2025, the state department of education shall conduct an audit of each school district's policies and procedures for maintaining safe and secure school buildings in such district. Such audit shall include all policies and procedures relating to the Kansas safe and secure schools standards adopted by the state board of education.

- (b) Commencing in school year—2023-2024 2024-2025, and each school year thereafter, the state department of education shall conduct an on-site inspection of not fewer than 10 school districts to determine compliance with such district's policies and procedures for maintaining safe and secure school buildings and the Kansas safe and secure schools standards. The school districts to be inspected shall be selected to ensure that there is diversity among the school districts based on the size of each district's student enrollment.
- (c) (1) On or before January 15,—2025 2026, the department shall prepare and submit a report on the results of the audits conducted pursuant to subsection (a) to the standing committee on education of the house of representatives and the standing committee on education of the senate.
- (2) On or before January 15,—2025 2026, and each January 15 thereafter, the department shall prepare and submit a report on the results of the on-site inspections conducted pursuant to subsection (b) to the standing committee on education of the house of representatives and the standing committee on education of the senate.
- (d) The results of any audit or on-site inspection conducted pursuant to this section and any report prepared by the department on such results shall be confidential and not subject to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215, et seq., and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2028, unless the legislature acts to continue such provisions. The provisions of this subsection shall be reviewed by the legislature prior to July 1, 2028.
  - Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

1 publication in the statute book.