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Bill Analysis

SB 593 requires each public and charter high school to offer at least one computer science course, either online or in the district, beginning with the school year 2022-2023. Middle schools will be required to offer instruction in exploratory computer science and elementary schools will be required to offer instruction in basics of computer science and computational thinking.

The measure, subject to available funds, makes available up to \$1 million in competitive grants available to develop and implement high-quality professional learning programs in computer sciences. School districts may apply for a grant for such purposes with the State Department of Education. The measure outlines which applicants the Department should give preference to. Districts receiving funding from the grant program will be required to publish an annual report.

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