

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1298 directs the State Board of Education to issue a request for proposals to select at least three alternative assessments to administer to students in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. It allows the assessments to measure readiness for both college and postsecondary career training. It allows a public school to recommend an assessment for review and approval. The bill states that a 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade student cannot be required to take the high school assessments already approved by the Board if the student has written consent from a parent or legal guardian; however, such a student will be required to take an alternative assessment if the student, his or her parent or legal guardian, and school staff determine an alternative assessment is appropriate for the student's postsecondary goals.

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