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Bill Analysis

SB 235 creates the Grow Your Own Educator Program to provide matching funds to eligible public school districts and public school district foundations that have established a program to provide tuition or loan repayment assistance to school district employees who pursue an undergraduate degree from an accredited teacher preparation program leading to a standard teaching certificate. It directs matching fund grants to be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. It directs the State Department of Education to administer the program and submit a report on the program. The bill also creates the Grow Your Own Educator Revolving Fund.

CCR Changes

The Conference Committee Report for SB 235 replaces the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability with the State Board of Education as well as restores the title.

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