

Date of Hearing: June 21, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Patrick O'Donnell, Chair

SCR 30 (Pan) – As Introduced March 2, 2017

**SENATE VOTE:** 38-0

**SUBJECT:** Education technology

**SUMMARY:** Resolves that the Legislature recognizes the need for improving the ongoing implementation and use of technology in educational institutions and identifying best practices for technology equipment upgrades. Specifically, **this resolution:**

- 1) States the following:
  - a) The educational community as a whole recognizes the importance of modern technology within our communities and classrooms;
  - b) There is a need for long-term planning in a regularly changing environment, as well as ongoing strategic plans for replacing and upgrading technology equipment and support structures in an educational institution's master planning;
  - c) Identifying and agreeing upon best practices to emphasize user input, support input, and equipment maintenance over the long term will allow for the best use of resources and time;
  - d) In order to remain on the cutting edge of technology use, all stakeholders have a duty and right to share in the decisionmaking process regarding policies at the worksite and school district levels;
  - e) The use or nonuse of technology should not drive the teaching environment and school faculty should be free to determine the appropriate use of technology;
  - f) School support staff is essential to successful integration and implementation of technology and network security;
  - g) New and ongoing training about education technology and related pedagogies requires input from faculty, staff, and pupils;
  - h) Faculty and staff are not always provided with accommodating technologies, services, and training as required by federal and state accessibility regulations; and
  - i) The cost of sustained staffing, maintenance, and training is not regularly incorporated in budgets.
- 2) Resolves that the Legislature recognizes the need for improving the ongoing implementation and use of technology in educational institutions and identifying best practices for technology equipment upgrades and that the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** This resolution is keyed nonfiscal.

**COMMENTS:** According to the author's office, this resolution recognizes the need for improving the ongoing implementation and use of technology in educational institutions and identifying best practices for technology equipment upgrades.

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

California Federation of Teachers

**Opposition**

None received

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