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Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Topic	Previous Version (As Re-Referred to Committee)	Sub. Version (L_132_0662-1)
Instruction in cursive and printed handwriting	<p>Requires school districts to provide handwriting instruction to students in kindergarten through fifth grade to ensure that students develop the ability to print letters and words legibly by third grade and to create readable documents using legible cursive handwriting by the end of fifth grade (<i>R.C. 3313.60(A)(9)</i>).</p> <p>Requires the Department of Education to assist school districts in identifying the most appropriate means for integrating the bill's handwriting requirements into their existing curricula and in identifying instructional materials (<i>Section 3</i>).</p>	<p>Requires the State Board of Education to adopt a model curriculum for cursive handwriting for students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Once adopted, requires the Department of Education to notify all school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and college preparatory schools of the content of the curriculum. Schools may then choose to utilize it or not (<i>R.C. 3301.0721(B)</i>; <i>conforming change in R.C. 3301.0722</i>).</p> <p>No provision.</p>

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	No provision.	Requires the State Board to develop the cursive handwriting model curriculum by December 31, 2018, and to decide on whether to adopt it by March 31, 2019 (<i>Section 3</i>).

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