HB 1223 -- Teacher Tenure

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Currently, a school district with a graduation rate below 65% has the authority to suspend or terminate the contract of teachers and administrators and to reconstitute the school with new personnel. This bill revises the conditions under which districts may suspend or terminate teacher and administrator contracts to districts that are provisionally accredited or unaccredited, regardless of whether the State Board of Education has made a formal determination on the district's accreditation. The conditions for when a teacher or administrator's termination may be rescinded are specified, and districts must develop a plan of staff incentives, which may include pay for performance.