

HB 1757 -- TESTING OF GIFTED STUDENTS

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This bill requires school districts beginning in the 2026-27 school year to provide universal screenings for all students a least once before 3rd grade for the purpose of identifying gifted students. The bill outlines the screening requirements including valid, reliable, and current testing methods, a body of evidence from a minimum of two areas outlined in the bill, and review by staff members trained in testing or gifted education. A child not meeting the criteria on a single screening does not prevent the child from being identified as gifted.

The bill requires districts to establish a process for the universal screenings and for annual notification to parents.