Session of 2023

HOUSE BILL No. 2278

By Committee on Education

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to safe and secure school
plans; requiring the state department of education to audit such plans;
providing for on-site compliance inspections.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

6 Section 1. (a) During school year 2023-2024 2024-2025, the state 7 department of education shall conduct an audit of each school district's 8 policies and procedures for maintaining safe and secure school buildings 9 in such district. Such audit shall include all policies and procedures 10 relating to the Kansas safe and secure schools standards adopted by the 11 state board of education.

12 (b) Commencing in school year-2023-2024 2024-2025, and each 13 school year thereafter, the state department of education shall conduct an on-site inspection of not fewer than 10 school districts to determine 14 compliance with such district's policies and procedures for maintaining 15 16 safe and secure school buildings and the Kansas safe and secure schools standards. The school districts to be inspected shall be selected to ensure 17 that there is diversity among the school districts based on the size of each 18 19 district's student enrollment.

(c) (1) On or before January 15, 2025 2026, the department shall
prepare and submit a report on the results of the audits conducted pursuant
to subsection (a) to the standing committee on education of the house of
representatives and the standing committee on education of the senate.

24 (2) On or before January 15, 2025 2026, and each January 15 25 thereafter, the department shall prepare and submit a report on the results 26 of the on-site inspections conducted pursuant to subsection (b) to the 27 standing committee on education of the house of representatives and the 28 standing committee on education of the senate.

(d) The results of any audit or on-site inspection conducted pursuant to this section and any report prepared by the department on such results shall be confidential and not subject to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215, et seq., and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2028, unless the legislature acts to continue such provisions. The provisions of this subsection shall be reviewed by the legislature prior to July 1, 2028.

36 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

1 publication in the statute book.