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Bill Summary

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Overview

Allows school districts to dispose of surplus school computers and related equipment without having to auction the property.

1 **Disposing of surplus school computers.** (a) Allows a school district to dispose of a school computer and related equipment if:

(1) the school has used the computer for at least three school years;

(2) the district purchased the computer with state or federal funds; and

(3) the district does not need the property.

(b) Requires the district to request disposition instructions from the commissioner. Allows the district to recommend to the commissioner that the property be conveyed to another school district or to a student enrolled in the district whose total family income meets the federal definition of poverty. Allows the district to convey the property to another school district or to the family of a student enrolled in the district whose total family income meets the federal definition of poverty if the commissioner fails to provide disposition instructions within 120 days.

(c) Requires a district wishing to dispose of school computers to maintain an inventory of such property and to reconcile the results of its inventory with related property records at least once every two years. Requires the district to maintain property records for at least three school years after finally disposing of the property. Gives the commissioner access to these property records for purposes of examining the records.

(d) Requires a school district that uses federal funds to purchase school computers to comply with applicable federal law governing the standards and procedures that regulate the ownership, use and disposition of such property.

2 **Effective date.** Makes section 1 immediately effective.