

Assembly Bill 45 was introduced by Assemblyman Sandé Swanson, and if approved, would, by July 1, 2008, return to the school board control over those operational areas recommended by FCMAT in its forthcoming April 2008 report.

- The division of responsibilities between the state administrator and the school board will be detailed in a memorandum of understanding between the two authorities.
- The FCMAT will release annual reports recommending which operational areas should be under the control of the board and which should be under the control of the state administrator.
- The State Superintendent will decide whether to return or retain control over those areas recommended by FCMAT to be within the control of the State Administrator.
- A new memorandum of understanding around the new division of responsibilities will be drawn up after every FCMAT report, pending the State Superintendent's decision over those areas recommended by FCMAT to be within the control of the State Administrator.
- The most recent FCMAT report recommended that the operational areas of community relations and governance be returned to the board's control. The report also noted substantial improvement in the areas of facilities management and student achievement.
- The bill entitles school board members the same compensation offered prior to the state takeover.
- The bill appropriates \$145,000 annually to FCMAT to cover the costs of its responsibilities outlined in the bill.
- The sale of district property is not mentioned in the bill.