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Sponsor(s): Senators McAuliffe, Carlson, Rasmussen, Zarelli, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Kastama, Prentice, Finkbeiner, Regala and Costa; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Brief Description: Creating a peer mentor program.

**SB 5773 - DIGEST**

Declares an intent to refocus the beginning teacher assistance program and replace it with a peer mentor program that emphasizes close working relationships between a beginning teacher and an experienced peer mentor, frequent observations, the development and implementation of professional development plans, the provision to beginning teachers of assistance in devising strategies to raise student achievement, and high-quality research-based training programs for peer mentors.