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COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill adds compliance requirements for education service providers requesting payment from education freedom account funds, including criminal history records checks of employees with direct contact with students.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in bold italics. Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.] Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.
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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Education Freedom Accounts Program; Education Service Providers. Amend RSA 194-F:6, II to read as follows:

II. [A prospective education service provider that wishes] In order for an education service provider to receive payments from EFAs, the education service provider shall:

(a) Be in operation for a minimum of one year prior to participation in the program to ensure financial sustainability and a history of measurable academic success.

(b) If providing instruction to students, be an approved nonpublic school education program pursuant to department of education administrative rules Ed 400.

(c) Submit notice to the scholarship organization that it wishes to receive payments from EFAs.

(\textit{\textbf{\textit{\textbf{\textit{\textbf{\textbf{\textbf{(d)}}}}}}}}) Agree not to refund, rebate, or share EFA funds with parents or EFA students in any manner, except that funds may be remitted or refunded to an EFA in accordance with procedures established by the scholarship organization.

(\textit{\textit{\textbf{\textbf{\textbf{\textbf{(e)}}}}}}) Comply with all state and federal anti-discrimination laws.

(f) Comply with state and local health and safety standards and codes.

(g) Satisfactorily complete and submit to the department a criminal history records check which complies with RSA 189:13-a for all education service provider employees with direct contact with students.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.