Law Schools Where Too Many Graduates Fail the Bar Exam May Face Tougher Sanctions

The American Bar Association this week will take up the issue of poor performing law schools, considering a controversial proposal that would toughen the bar-pass standard for law schools.

“The proposal is likely to be vigorously debated and comes after criticism that the accrediting body has allowed schools to admit too many lower-achieving students who struggle to pass the bar,” predicts an **in-depth article** on the subject published by *USA Today*.

“Here’s what could change: Law schools have five years to show 75% of their graduates who take the bar exam have passed. The proposal would narrow that to two years,” the authors explain.

Some critics say the five-year rule has allowed schools to continue operating even with dismal bar-passage rates. “It’s virtually impossible to fail,” says Kyle McEntee, executive director of Law School Transparency, “although some schools are managing to come close.”

Read the *USA Today* article.