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WHAT: A sentence or two describing the work and findings: This publication presents information on 44 states and the District of Columbia that have adapted existing policies or constructed new ones that may lead to accountability and oversight more appropriate for alternative education campuses (AECs).

HOW: Brief description of methodology, maybe one sentence or just some key terms like quantitative, policy research, etc.: Appendix C of the document details the researchers' data collection protocols for alternative school performance and a policy database.

A rationale sentence about why this is important and valuable work: Minding the Gap is a first of its kind resource for state education agencies, charter school authorizers, alternative education leaders, policymakers, and researchers.