

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2306
Version:	CCRB
Request Number:	10457
Author:	Representative Coody
Date:	5/21/2012
Impact:	\$0 to State

Research Analysis

The conference committee substitute to House Bill 2306 requires that school district alternative education plans be included in the school improvement plans school districts must adopt every six years. School districts with one or more school sites on the needs improvement list must submit school improvement and capital improvement plans electronically.

The State Board of Education must identify schools that are consistently listed as persistently low-achieving and boards of education with schools on that list must submit an annual update of the school improvement plan to the State Board of Education.

The measure also repeals the section of law that requires school districts to adopt a Comprehensive Local Education Plan every six years as part of receiving accreditation. This eliminates the need for school districts to submit information twice since information in the Comprehensive Local Education Plan state law already requires that information in other reports to the State Board of Education.

The measure also removes language that gives the State Board of Education the authority to review preliminary plans for new construction and major alteration of public school buildings before a school district can let bids.

The State Department of Education must provide training for regional accreditation officers in alternative education compliance. School districts must show on transcripts students' highest achieved scores on end-of-instruction tests rather than all scores.

Those appointed to school board positions must agree to take 12 hours of instruction related to education within 15 months. If a member is required to leave his or her seat due to not completing the requirement, he or she cannot be reappointed or run for reelection to the board for three years for three-member boards, four years for seven-member boards and five years for five-member boards.

Any teacher employed full time by a school for 10 or more consecutive years immediately before applying to become a substitute in that district, may be exempt from the requirement to have a national criminal history record check. If the teacher applies to become a substitute in another district, the new district must require a background check.

Prepared By: Dawn Marks

Fiscal Analysis

There is no impact associated with this measure, as funding for training is already built into the agency's and local boards' budgets.

Prepared By: Nicole Barnes

Other Considerations

None