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| Author: | Representative Coody |
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| Impact: | \$0 |

Research Analysis

The proposed 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.

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.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure's provisions do not significantly impact state revenues. However, by deleting the requirement to review construction plans, the State Department of Education could eliminate its contract with an architect, thus saving the agency \$50,000 annually.

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Other Considerations

None