BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB 2784
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Impact: \$0-state funds

Research Analysis

The SAs remove a section requiring school districts to periodically review and destroy unnecessary information contained within a student record. Additionally, it removes language requiring school districts to give public written notice that student record information will be disposed of.

The bill requires student transcripts to be maintained for 80 years. Additionally, except for transcript records, school districts must dispose of information in a student record at a time selected by the district that is between 5 and 7 years following graduation, transfer, or withdraw. It directs school districts to compile, maintain, and regulate student records in manner consistent with state and federal law. Districts may store all documents and information in student records either electronically or in paper format. Such records must be stored, backed up and secured according to standards and protocol developed by the State board of Education.

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Fiscal Analysis

SAHB 2784 relates to schools and student records. A new section is removed which requires a school district designee to periodically review and destroy certain information in student records, and specific parent or guardian notification. Additional language is removed requiring school districts to give public written notice that student record information will be disposed under certain circumstances. And, language is removed requiring a copy of the information to be provided to specified persons.

New language is added for the State Board of Education to promulgate certain rules regarding notification to persons of destruction of records. The amendments have no additional impact on state funds.

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Other Considerations

None