## **BILL SUMMARY**

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Undetermined costs which may be offset in whole or part by fees

## **Research Analysis**

The bill requires that within 30 days of the effective date of this act, the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, must begin to study shared administrative services of school districts in the state. By December 1, 2018, the State Board of Education must publish a list of all dependent and independent school districts that it recommends for shared services. Districts included in this list will have the opportunity to be heard by the Board, and the time, date, and place of the meeting will be provided to the local superintendent and school board members.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

ESB 514 relates to schools and provides that within 30 days of the effective date of the act, that the Department of Education, in consultation with the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, will begin studying shared administrative services of school districts in the state. By December 1, 2018, the State Board of Education will publish a list of all dependent and independent school districts that it recommends to share administrative services.

Further, the Department of Education shall establish Regional Education Administrative Districts (READ) which shall provide shared administrative services to school districts that choose to participate. Department of Education personnel provide that they will incur costs for setting up and operating the READS. However, fees may be charged which may offset some costs. The number and size of participating school districts and services to be provided are unknown at this time.

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## **Other Considerations**

None