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Bill Analysis

SB 1472 modifies language relating to student transfers. The measure strikes language requiring the approval of a transfer by the receiving school district board of education and allows a student to transfer at any time during the year unless the number of transfers exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or building. The measure directs the State Department of Education to measure the capacity of a district at least once every five years and post the measures on its website.

If capacity is insufficient to enroll all eligible students, the district is to select students through a lottery selection process to be held publicly and at least once annually. The measure removes language allowing siblings of transfer students to transfer and strikes language providing a timeline for transfer applications to be filed and approved or denied. The measure requires a school district superintendent to file no later than September 1 and again on the first day of each month a statement showing the names of students granted transfers and removes language requiring notification of a resident district of a student transfer.

The measure strikes the requirement for a directing school districts to adopt open transfer policies. It requires transfers of students who are dependent children of a member of the active uniformed military services or military reserve on active duty orders to be admitted to the school district of their choice regardless of the district's capacity. The measure removes a requirement that such dependent children be residing with a relative who lives in the receiving school district.

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