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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: Approximately \$51,000,000.00

Full Year Impact: Approximately \$51,000,000.00

This bill creates the "School Turnaround Act" and directs the State Department of Education to designate schools in need of intervention. The measure requires SDE to identify independent school turnaround experts and to provide funding for school turnaround plans. The school turnaround committee at a designated school must select an independent school turnaround expert that is on a list selected by the SDE. The committee must collaborate with an expert in developing a turnaround plan.

The SDE is required under federal law to designate the bottom 5% of low performing schools for intervention. The bill requires that SDE offer an average of \$500,000 per designated school for the entirety of the project. Amount will be differentiated based on student enrollment and a higher amount will be given to schools that are in the lowest performing (1%) of schools statewide. Currently, there are 102 schools designated due to being the lowest performing 5% of schools statewide or as having a graduation rate below 67% as required under federal law.

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