BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The conference committee report to HB 2743 clarifies that any cooperative purchasing agreement entered into by a school district can not include new construction. Funds from cooperative purchasing agreements are to be applied to chargeables under the agreements or direct administrative costs. The measure prohibits school districts from taking a percentage of the funds as profit under a cooperative purchasing agreement.

Additionally, the title and enacting clause are restored to the measure.

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Fiscal Analysis

The conference committee report to HB 2743 clarifies that such cooperative purchasing agreements entered into by school districts must not include new construction.

HB 2743 removes the authority for certain entities to enter cooperative purchasing agreements for services. The measure does not remove such authority regarding agreements for commodities (i.e., goods). Such authority is in addition the Interlocal Cooperation Act, which allows local governments to work together with the goal of using resources more efficiently. Pursuant to the measure, such purchases made by a "local public procurement unit" must still satisfy applicable procurement regulations, including The Central Purchasing Act, the Public Competitive Bidding Act, the Finance Act, and related administrative rules and federal regulations. The measure deals with local governments at the county and municipal level, but also applies to state agencies. However, the measure does not mandate any action or expenditure by a state agency. Therefore, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.