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Bill No.:	SB 646
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Impact:	No Impact

Research Analysis

The Floor Substitute for SB 646 modifies the membership and appointing authority for the State Board of Education in the following ways:

- The Board is increased from a seven-member board to a ten-member board;
- The Governor will appoint five members, instead of six. The Governor's appointments must be confirmed by the Senate;
- Two members will be appointed by the Pro Tempore of the Senate;
- Two members will be appointed by the Speaker of the House; and
- Six members are required for a quorum.

The appointing authorities must make their initial appointments to the Board within 30 days of the Act's effective date. Any vacancy on the board must be filled by the appropriate appointing person within 90 days.

The Board must post its agenda on its website, and in a physical location at its principal office, at least 48 hours before a meeting. If any agenda item or posted document changes prior to the meeting, it may be discussed, but no action may be taken on it until the next meeting.

A Board member may place an item for discussion on the agenda upon written request by at least three Board members. The item must be placed on the next meeting's agenda, or a subsequent agenda as requested by the members. After the item has been discussed, it may be added to the next meeting's agenda as an actionable item.

CHANGES BETWEEN THE ENGROSSED VERSION AND THE FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

The Floor Substitute is all new language.

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Fiscal Analysis

The floor amendment is not anticipated to result in a negative fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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