

**LOCAL
FISCAL IMPACT**

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SHORT TITLE: REQUIREMENTS FOR A SCHOOL CLOSURE PLAN

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2014-2015	FY 2015-2016
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: None.		

Summary of Legislation

If a school district or the State Charter School Institute (CSI) decides to close a school, or is directed by the State Board of Education (BOE) to close a public school due to low academic performance, this bill requires that the district or CSI adopt a school closure plan.

The school closure plan must address communications about the closure, the timeline for closing the school, and plans for reassigning students to other public schools. The plan must be made available to the school's staff, parents of students at the school, and the surrounding community.

School District Impact

In the event that a public school closes, either as a result of internal decisions or due to actions taken by the SBE, the district or CSI must prepare for the closure with a plan that addresses a minimum, but not exhaustive, set of topics related to closing a school. This requirement is anticipated to minimally increase workload for district or CSI staff over what would be required under current law. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having a workload impact on local school districts or the CSI; however, the bill can be implemented with resources available to the district or CSI, and no state appropriation is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

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