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State Department of Education (SDE)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 388 would permit the State Department of Education to waive a variety of current statutes for those public schools that are found to test above educational standards.

Significant Issues

The waive would permit SDE to waive the following:

- Accreditation review requirements
- Length of school day
- Individual class load requirements
- Subject area requirements
- Graduation requirements
- Evaluation standards for school personnel

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- Purchase of instructional materials from the State Board of Education approved multiple list requirements, and
- Any other requirements of Public School Code that impede innovation in education.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Senate Bill 388 carries no appropriation.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The SDE indicates that the time commitment for the State Board of Education, and district staffs to implement, track and evaluate this process would be great.

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