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TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB16 by Staples (Relating to mentoring srVICES programs for at-risk students in public schools.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<p>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would authorize but not require a school district to provide a mentoring services program to students at-risk of dropping out of school . The bill would require a district mentoring program to meet standards adopted by the Governor. Districts would be required to obtain the consent of a student's parent or guardian before allowing the student to participate in the program. Districts would be authorized to arrange for any public or private community-based organization to come to the district's schools and implement the program. The bill would authorize the use of funds earned under the compensatory education allotment for a district's mentoring program.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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