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

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1818 by Van de Putte (Relating to providing an exemption from the administration of certain assessment instruments for certain public school students who are asylees or refugees.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would extend the statutory exemption from state assessments for students with limited English proficiency for up to four additional years to students initially enrolled in school in the United States as unschooled asylees or refugees.

Local Government Impact

School districts would be required to maintain documentation of asylees or refugees exempted under the provisions of the bill.

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