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

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

IN RE: SB2087 by Davis, Wendy (Relating to sanctions available for certain academically

unacceptable campuses.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would prohibit the Commissioner of Education from imposing additional sanctions on a campus for which a campus intervention team has been appointed until the campus has had two complete school years to implement the improvement plan recommended by the campus intervention team and has received necessary financial or other assistance. The bill does not refer to a source of financial assistance; for purposes of this estimate, financial assistance is assumed to be locally funded.

The bill would require that a campus undergoing reconstitution as a result of continued academically unacceptable ratings under the state accountability system implement a revised school improvement plan. The bill would allow the Commissioner to pursue alternate management of such a campus only after the campus has had two complete school years to implement the revised improvement plan. The bill would eliminate provisions allowing the Commissioner to pursue closure of a campus that fails to implement a school improvement plan.

The provisions of the bill would require changes in procedures and possible changes in the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) reporting for academically unacceptable campuses. It is assumed that the required changes could be accomplished with existing resources.

Local Government Impact

This bill would extend the timeline for School Improvement Plan implementation before reconstitution could be ordered and would establish an additional two-year timeline after reconstitution before alternative management could be ordered. School districts would have two school years to implement the improvement plan recommended by the campus intervention team, including the provision of any necessary financial or other assistance. The bill does not refer to a source of financial assistance; for purposes of this estimate, any necessary financial assistance is assumed to be locally funded.

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