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TO: Honorable Rob Eissler, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

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

IN RE: HB19 by Aycock (Relating to hearings on public school educator contracts.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would establish procedures governing school districts' declaration, continuation, and expiration of financial exigency. The bill would require that written notice of local board action declaring or continuing a financial exigency be provided to the commissioner of education. The bill would direct the commissioner of education to adopt rules prescribing the time and manner in which notice would be provided. Activities related to adoption of these rules are not anticipated to result in significant cost to the state.

Local Government Impact

The bill would establish an additional process under which school districts could conduct hearings associated with nonrenewal or termination of probationary, continuing, or term contracts, including actions resulting from a reduction in personnel due to financial exigency. The bill would authorize school districts to appoint qualified designees to conduct such hearings and make recommendations to local boards of trustees concerning contract renewal or nonrenewal. The bill's provisions would not be expected to alter the number of hearings that are requested. The change in procedures would not be anticipated to significantly affect the level of local costs associated with the hearings that may be requested.

The bill would establish procedures governing school district declarations of financial exigency, continuations of financial exigency, and terminations of financial exigency declarations. The procedures and notification requirements established by the bill would not be anticipated to have significant fiscal implications for units of local government.

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