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

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

IN RE: SB140 by Shapiro (Relating to minimum public school attendance for class credit or a grade.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

The bill would expand the current prohibition relating to the minimum attendance necessary for the award of credit for a course to include students in any grade level kindergarten through grade 12. The bill would also expand the minimum attendance prohibition to include final grades awarded for courses. The bill would extend current mechanisms available for a student to obtain credit lost through lack of attendance to include final grades lost under the same prohibition. The expansion of the prohibition could potentially increase the number of plans to be approved by principals and the number of petitions to be heard by attendance committees and boards of trustees. Administrative costs would be anticipated to vary widely among school districts depending upon the number of students affected by the expansion.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

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