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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2263** by Gooden (Relating to the public school accountability system.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would remove the requirement that a campus that had previously been assigned an unacceptable performance rating would continue to work with a campus intervention team (CIT). Under current statute, a campus previously assigned "Improvement Required" (IR) continued to work with a CIT to prepare and submit a targeted improvement plan for one or two years.

TEA estimates a reduction in the number of improvement plans submitted annually, and expects a cost savings to result from the bill. However, because these plans are from previously IR campuses, and the agency does not support them as extensively as it does multi-year IR campuses, the cost savings associated with the bill are not expected to be significant.

The commissioner would also be required to either approve or reject any campus turnaround plan in writing no later than June 15th of each year. If the plan is rejected, the commissioner must also send the district an outline of the specific concerns regarding the turnaround plan that resulted in the rejection. A district receiving a rejected plan must create a modified plan with assistance from TEA staff.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

The bill would reduce costs to districts with a campus that would no longer be required to contract with a Professional Service Provider in the year after the campus meets standard.

TEA estimates a minimal local impact for districts currently required to take action to address campus improvement plans. This bill would limit or eliminate interventions at some districts.

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