

March 22, 2007

**S 1479. HIGH-NEEDS SCHOOLS/ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.** Filed 3/22/07. *TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO HIGH-NEEDS SCHOOLS.*

Directs the State Board of Education (SBE) to identify as high-needs schools those meeting the following criteria: (1) a high percentage of students are performing at Level 1 or Level 2 on the end-of-grade or end-of-course tests; (2) they have a very high teacher turnover rate; or (3) they have a high percentage of students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. Requires that the SBE make specified modifications to law or policy beginning with the 2007-08 school year to ensure that the designated high-needs schools have the staff and additional support they need. Specifies a list of strategies for the SBE to consider in ensuring the needs of the designated schools are met and requires the SBE to report to the General Assembly on the cost of implementing the modifications and strategies for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

**Intro. by Dalton.**

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April 26, 2007

**S 1479. HIGH-NEEDS SCHOOLS/ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.** Filed 3/22/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Modifies criteria for identifying high-need schools by designating as high-need schools those meeting two or more of the following criteria: (1) more than 45% of students perform at Level 1 or 2 on end-of-grade or end-of-course tests; (2) the teacher turnover rate is greater than 25%; or (3) more than 80% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. Clarifies that National Board Certified Teachers who serve in *non-administrative* instructional leadership positions may continue to receive the 12% salary increment for National Board Professional Teaching Standards. Directs the State Board of Education (SBE) to report by January 15, 2008, on the cost of implementation for the 2008-09 fiscal year to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee (was, report to the General Assembly). Modifies strategies for SBE to consider in ensuring that high-need schools are served to include employing teachers at identified high-need schools for 11 months (was, employ National Board Certified Teachers at high-need schools for 11 months).

July 10, 2007

**S 1479. HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS/ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.** Filed 3/22/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes the beginning school year from 2007-08 to 2008-09 for the provisions to ensure high quality staff and additional support for schools designated as high-need.

July 24, 2007

**S 1479. HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS/ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.** Filed 3/22/07. Conference report recommends the following changes to 3rd edition to reconcile matters in controversy. Directs that National Board Certified Teachers serving as mentors, literacy coaches, or in other non-administrative instructional leadership positions retain the 12% salary increment for National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification (was, *may* retain the 12% salary increment).

August 27, 2007

**SL 2007-445 (S 1479). HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS/ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.** *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/22/07, 4/26/07, 7/10/07, and 7/24/07. Enacted August 23, 2007. Effective August 23, 2007.