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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4778
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Subject: School Districts Accredited by AdvancED
Requestor: House Education and Public Works
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Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$1,693,500	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill would have an expenditure impact of \$1,693,500 to the General Fund. There is no expenditure impact to Federal Funds or Other Funds.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

State Expenditure

This bill adds Section 59-17-145 to require all local school districts to be accredited by AdvancED beginning with the 2017-18 school year. The State Department of Education can grant a waiver to any local school district for good cause.

The State Department of Education indicates an expenditure impact of \$1,693,500 in order to get all school districts accredited with AdvancED. In order to perform the accreditation, SDE would require \$750 for each of the 82 districts for a total of \$61,500. Additionally, the cost of \$750 per school for 1,264 schools is \$948,000. A diagnostic review would be performed by AdvancED on total of 35 state priority schools, 7 federal priority schools, and 16 focus schools, for a total expenditure of \$684,000. SDE would incur the expenses for the accreditation process for the local schools and local school districts.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A



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