

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass

Vote: 8 - 1 - 1

Yeas: Dembrow, Harker, Huffman, Komp, Maurer, Sprenger, Thatcher, VanOrman

Nays: Gelser

Exc.: Roblan

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Meeting Dates: 5/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Removes education service districts from definition of school district under general provisions of special education services statutes. Permits parent of child with a disability to revoke, in writing, consent for initial evaluation, re-evaluation, provision of special education and related services, or placement in a program. Declares an emergency; effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Clarifies definition of school district
- Changes to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Under federal law, school districts are responsible for providing special education services. Senate Bill 72A clarifies that school districts, and not educational service districts, are responsible for meeting the special education needs of students in their districts.