SB 363 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 3/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Department of Education to conduct study on methods for improving safety in work environments for special education and related staff. Requires department to report results to Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2018. Sunsets December 31, 2018. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

FISCAL: May Have Fiscal Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued

REVENUE: May Have Revenue Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Special educational work environments can present unique safety concerns for staff in the workplace. Senate Bill 363 directs the Department of Education to study methods for improving workplace safety for special education and related services staff. It requires that the department study appropriate staffing levels and safety training for staff involved in special education and related services. The measure requires the department to report its findings to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2018.