

Department of Planning and Budget 2002 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB159

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron** Lingamfelter

3. **Committee** Education

4. **Title** Standards of Learning; website suggestions for improvements.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill directs the Department of Education to develop a website enabling educators to suggest improvements to the Standards of Learning.

6. **Fiscal Impact:** (See 8.)

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:** The Department of Education currently maintains a website and provides the public (including educators) with the ability to submit comments and/or questions to the department. Not only can comments be provided through the website (through supplying staff e-mail addresses as well as an "ASK DOE" e-mail link) but also by contacting an 800 number. The cost would be minimal to set up a new website, but staff involvement in responding to comments could be substantial and may divert time away from other instructional responsibilities. The amount of effort spent for this task cannot be quantified and would depend on the volume and complexity of the submitted comments.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Education

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

11. **Other comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Education