Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number HB1294	
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	Second House	Enrolled Substitute Enrolled
2.	Patron	Reid
3.	Committee	Senate: Education and Health
4.	Title	Enforcement of school corrective action plans.

- 5. Summary/Purpose: This bill modifies the current school corrective action plan process within the Standards of Quality to (i) authorize the Board of Education to require an academic review, consistent with criteria to be established by the Board, of any school division within which there are schools that have not achieved such full accreditation; (ii) require the reviewed school division to submit for approval by the Board a corrective action plan setting forth specific actions and a schedule designed to ensure that schools within its school division achieve full accreditation status; (iii) add such corrective action plans to relevant school division's six-year improvement plan; and (iv) allow the Board to pursue circuit court enforcement of the development or implementation of such plans by noncompliant school divisions.
- **6. Fiscal Impact:** See Item 8.
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** In 2002-2003, there were 107 school divisions that were not fully accredited. Under the provisions of this bill, Department of Education would not be required to review every division. Current costs estimates for the 2004-2006 biennium are that each division review would cost \$5,000. The total cost to the department would depend upon the number of reviews undertaken.

Costs would also be incurred related to the promulgation of emergency regulations.

(Note: Amendments to this bill do not alter the fiscal impact. It should be noted that the amendments do provide the Board of Education with authority to petition the circuit court to mandate or otherwise enforce compliance with the SOQ, including academic reviews. Current law states that the BOE would notify the Attorney General regarding failure to comply with the SOQ.)

- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Local school divisions, Department of Education, Board of Education, Attorney General
- **10.** Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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