

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB77

House of Origin      X      Introduced                  Substitute                  Engrossed  
Second House                 In Committee              Substitute                  Enrolled

**2. Patron:**        Reynolds

**3. Committee:** Education and Health

**4. Title:**        **School calendar; removes restrictions for post-Labor Day school opening.**

**5. Summary:** Removes the restriction that a Board of Education waiver from the post-Labor Day school opening requirement based on a school division's dependence on another school division's instructional program shall only apply to the opening date for those schools where such instructional program is dependent on and provided in one or more elementary or middle or high schools of another school division that qualifies for a waiver.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8.

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This legislation amends a portion of the good cause provision for permitting school divisions to begin classes before Labor Day. Currently, a school division can be granted a waiver if it is providing an instructional program or programs in one or more of its elementary or middle or high schools, excluding the electronic classroom, which are dependent on and provided in one or more elementary or middle or high schools of another school division that qualifies for such waiver. However, the waiver currently only applies to the opening date of the schools where such dependent programs are provided. This legislation would remove the requirement so that any waiver granted to a school division under the provision could be applied to all schools in the division. It is anticipated this legislation will have no fiscal impact to the state.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Board of Education and local school divisions.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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