Department of Planning and Budget
2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB228

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

2. **Patron:** Albo

3. **Committee:** Education

4. **Title:** Graduation requirements; computer programming as foreign language.

5. **Summary:** Requires the Board of Education, in establishing course and credit requirements for a high school diploma, to provide that the standard units of credit in foreign language required to graduate with an advanced studies diploma may be satisfied by the successful completion of computer programming courses approved by the Board. The bill also requires the Board to establish criteria for the approval of computer programming coursework completed at an associate-degree-granting public institution of higher education or an associate-degree-granting private institution of higher education for the purpose of satisfying such foreign language graduation requirements. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2018.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary**: No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** Board of Education costs to establish the criteria outlined in this bill can be absorbed within existing resources. There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from this legislation.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Board of Education

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

11. **Other Comments:** This bill is similar to HB 831, HB 1186, and HB 1219.