

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1700

House of Origin	<u> X </u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Lohr

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: **Board of Education; statewide uniform grading policy**

5. Summary: Requires the Board of Education to establish a statewide uniform grading policy whereby a student could receive a maximum of five quality points for an "A" in an Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or dual enrollment course.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation establishes a statewide uniform policy for calculating a student's end-of-year grade point average for grades 6 through 12 in public schools. It is anticipated that passage of this bill will generate some additional administrative costs to both the Department of Education and local school divisions in order to implement the new scale. However, the Department of Education anticipates such costs can be absorbed within current resources.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: Similar to HB1603.

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cc: Secretary of Education