Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1672				
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- **3.** Committee: Education
- **4. Title:** A-F school grading system; School Performance Report Card.
- **5. Summary:** The proposed legislation would repeal the A-F school grading system created in the 2013 Session and amended in the 2014 Session. The bill requires the Board of Education, in consultation with the Standards of Learning Innovation Committee, to redesign the School Performance Report Card by July 1, 2016. The Board is to submit the design to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health for final approval.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 131.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The bill would require the Board of Education to redesign the School Performance Report Card. The Board is currently in the process of finalizing the school performance A-F letter grading system for use by October 1, 2016, as required by the 2014 Session legislation.

Significant revisions to the current School Performance Report Card design would require the services of a designer, and implementation of a revised design would require contract staff. The Department of Education estimates the redesign costs to total \$75,000 of general fund support in FY2016, which is not provided for in the current budget.

- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Board of Education, Department of Education, local school divisions
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.
- **11. Other Comments:** HB1313, HB1368, HB2180 and SB727 also impact the A-F grading system.

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