

## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB1021

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

**2. Patron:** Puller

**3. Committee:** Passed both houses

**4. Title:** Standards of Accreditation; instructional time.

**5. Summary:** The proposed legislation would require the Board of Education to expand regulations which allow it to waive the requirement that school divisions provide additional teaching days or teaching hours to compensate for school closings resulting from a declared state of emergency by adding closings related to severe weather conditions or other emergency situations.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** None.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill will not have any state fiscal impact. If the Board grants the waiver, there will not be a proportionate reduction in basic aid funding. Further, the local appropriations for educational purposes necessary to fund 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours will not be proportionally reduced by the local governing body.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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