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S.B. 766: FLOOR ANALYSIS

Senate Bill 766 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Loren Bennett

Committee: Education

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised School Code to extend, from 20 days to 30 days, the time limit for filling vacancies on local school boards when less than a majority of the offices become vacant, and for the calling of a special election when a majority of the offices are vacant at the same time.

Currently, if less than a majority of the offices of a school district become vacant, the remaining members of the board must fill the vacancy immediately. If a vacancy is not filled within 20 days after it occurs, the intermediate school board must fill the vacancy by appointment. If a majority of the offices are vacant at the same time, the remaining member or members of the board must immediately call a special election of the school district to fill the vacancies. If the election is not called by the remaining member(s) within 20 days after the vacancies occur, or if all of the offices of the board members are vacant, the superintendent of the intermediate school district must call a special election of the school district to fill the vacancies for the unexpired portions of the respective terms. The bill would increase these 20-day time frames to 30 days.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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