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Senate Bill 1140 (as introduced 2-23-10)
Sponsor: Senator Jud Gilbert, II
Committee: Education

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the State School Aid Act to require a school district to continue to provide at least 175 days of instruction, if it did so in 2009-2010.

The Act requires each school district, beginning in the 2010-2011 school year, to provide a minimum number of days of pupil instruction to be eligible to receive State school aid. For the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years, the required minimum is 165 days of instruction, and beginning in 2012-2013, the required minimum is 170 days.

In addition, beginning in 2010-2011, a district may not provide fewer days of instruction than it provided in the 2009-2010 school year.

The bill would retain that requirement for a district that provided fewer than 175 days of pupil instruction for 2009-2010. A district that provided at least 175 days of instruction for 2009-2010 could not provide fewer than 175 days of instruction.

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FISCAL IMPACT

To the extent the requirement to provide a minimum number of days of pupil instruction as mandated by the bill would hamper the ability of a school district during contract negotiations when setting teacher calendars, this legislation could cause a fiscal impact in those situations. However, the amount (positive or negative) is indeterminate.

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