Bill Summary

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Bill Analysis

SB 1911 modifies the Education Open Transfer Act. The measure requires school district boards of education to electronically submit an annual report to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, Governor, and the chairs of the legislative committees responsible for common education. The measure directs the report to include a copy of the district's student transfer policy, the number of student transfer requests received, the resident district of the students requesting a transfer, and the number of student transfers approved and denied. The bill directs a school district to comply with any changes recommended after an Office of Educational Quality and Accountability audit, rather than OEQA setting the capacity of the district after an audit. Additionally, it requires OEQA to electronically submit an annual report to the State Department of Education, the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairs of the legislative committees responsible for common education. The measure directs the report to include information on school districts that were audited. It directs the Department to review the report for willful violations of the Education Open Transfer Act by an audited district. The bill states that upon a finding of a willful violation by the State Board of Education, a school district will receive a 5% decrease in state funding the following fiscal year.

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