FINAL BILL REPORT

ESSB 6155

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to schools.

SPONSORS: Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Winsley, Franklin, Prentice and Bauer)

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

BACKGROUND:

Many teachers, students, administrators, and parents are concerned about the growing level of violence in society and in schools.

SUMMARY:

Current law requiring school districts to send permanent records of transferring students, even if students have not paid fines, is changed to permit school districts to withhold permanent records of students for failure to pay fines.

When a student transfers to another school, the receiving school may request the student and parent to provide brief information about the student's history in former schools.

The receiving school shall request the sending school to send the student's permanent record. If the student has not paid fines, the sending district shall transmit information about the student including information about the academic performance, special placement, and records of disciplinary action. However, the sending district may withhold the permanent record or official transcript. The student must be given notice that failure to have a permanent record may result in failure to graduate or exclusion from extracurricular activities.

When the information is requested by the receiving district, the information must be transmitted by the sending district within two school days.

Family reconciliation services may include information on parenting, conflict management, and dispute resolution.

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VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate 48 0 House 96 0 (House amended) Senate 45 0 (Senate concurred)

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