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Bill Analysis

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Summary

- Prohibits the Superintendent of Public Instruction from establishing any new academic distress commissions on or after the bill's effective date.

Detailed Analysis

Academic distress commission moratorium

The bill prohibits the Superintendent of Public Instruction from establishing new academic distress commissions, indefinitely. The bill does not affect academic distress commissions established prior to the bill's effective.¹

Background

In 2015, the General Assembly enacted H.B. 70, which repealed the then existing law on academic distress commissions and replaced it with a new law requiring the appointment of a chief executive officer who has substantial powers to manage the operation of a qualifying district. Under that law, the state Superintendent must establish a commission for any school district that receives for three consecutive years an overall grade of "F" on the state report card or equivalencies prescribed for years for which there is no overall grade. The law also provides for progressive consequences for the district, including possible changes to collective bargaining agreements and eventual mayoral appointment of the district board.²

¹ R.C. 3302.103.

² R.C. 3302.10 and 3302.11 and Section 6 of H.B. 70 of the 131st General Assembly, none in the bill.

History

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Introduced	03-07-19
