H.B. 5237 (S-2): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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House Bill 5237 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

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House Committee: Education Senate Committee: Education

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Fire Prevention Code to require that at least eight, rather than 10, fire drills be conducted during each school year, and to require a minimum of two tornado safety drills each school year.

The Code provides that the chief administrative officer and the teachers of all schools, colleges, and universities, and the owner or the owner's representative of all school dormitories, must have a fire drill each month. A minimum of 10 drills is required for each school year. If weather conditions do not permit fire drills to be held at least once a month, then at least six fire drills must be held in the fall and four during the rest of the school year.

The bill would require a minimum of eight fire drills for each school year. If weather conditions did not permit fire drills to be held at least once a month, then at least five would have to be held in the fall and three during the remainder of the school year.

The bill also provides that a minimum of two tornado safety drills would be required for each school year at the schools and facilities described above. These drills would have to be conducted for the purpose of preventing fires and related hazards and injuries caused by severe weather.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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