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Honorable Rebecca Mitchell State Representative 611-C Coverdell Legislative Office Bldg. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

> SUBJECT: Fiscal Note House Bill 518 (LC 49 0413)

Dear Representative Mitchell:

This bill would limit the Title 20 provisions that can be disregarded by strategic waiver systems, charter systems, and charter schools. State law already requires adherence to certain provisions (e.g., civil rights, insurance, criminal background checks). The bill would expand that list to include statutory provisions related to class size, expenditure controls, certification, salary schedules, health and physical education, categorical allotments, duty-free lunch, and termination, suspension, and reprimands.

The changes required by the bill would require no additional state funding. The additional requirements that would be enforced under this bill (e.g., class size limits) would have a fiscal impact on local school systems, but this impact cannot be determined at this time.

Sincerely,

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