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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1003, L.D. 1382, Bill, "An Act To Establish Computer Science Courses and Content in Kindergarten to Grade 12 Schools"

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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

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'Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Develop a State Plan for Computer Science Instruction'

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

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'Sec. 1. Development of computer science instruction; guidelines.

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Resolved: That the Department of Education shall develop a state plan for instruction in computer science in public preschool to grade 12 that provides equitable access to computer science instruction in schools across the State and offers the opportunity for instruction in computer science in all high schools by 2022 and in all grades by 2025. The department shall provide guidelines for school administrative units on how computer science instruction may be applied toward graduation requirements in mathematics and science on the department's publicly accessible website.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment directs the Department of Education to develop a state plan for instruction in computer science in public preschool to grade 12 that provides equitable access to computer science instruction in schools across the State and offers the opportunity for instruction in computer science in all high schools by 2022 and in all grades by 2025. The department is required to provide guidelines for school administrative units on how computer science instruction may be applied toward graduation requirements in mathematics and science on the department's publicly accessible website.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



Approved: 05/25/19 *MJC*

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LD 1382

LR 1384(03)

An Act To Establish Computer Science Courses and Content in Kindergarten to Grade 12 Schools

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "B(H-523)"
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education to develop the state plan and guidelines can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. This fiscal note assumes that instruction in computer science will be optional in high schools beginning in 2022 and all grades by 2025.