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### Overview

Proposes to establish student to school counselor ratios in elementary, middle, and high school.

#### Section

- 1 School counselors.** Directs school districts to provide school counseling services at a ratio not greater than 250 students per licensed school counselor in grades 9 through 12, 350 students per licensed school counselor in grades 7 and 8 or other identified middle school grades, and 450 students per licensed school counselor in grades 1 through 6 or other identified elementary school grades. Prohibits school districts from exceeding these ratios by 20 percent in more than one fiscal year.

Makes this section effective for the 2013-2014 school year and later.