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HB 1880 proposes to prohibit school districts and charter schools receiving state funds from selling beverages containing more than one hundred milligrams of caffeine per container to students enrolled in the district.

While protecting student health is a legitimate legislative objective, HB 1880 contains several structural and drafting issues that warrant reconsideration.

First, the bill establishes a prohibition based on caffeine per container but does not account for container size or product formulation. Because the restriction is based solely on total caffeine per container rather than caffeine concentration, the bill may produce inconsistent results across common beverages. For example, certain coffee beverages or larger tea drinks may exceed the one hundred milligram threshold even when they are widely regarded as ordinary beverages, while some energy drinks with high caffeine concentration but smaller container sizes could remain compliant. As written, the statute risks prohibiting some commonly available coffee or tea beverages while permitting products that are specifically formulated as high-caffeine energy drinks.

Second, the bill does not establish a standard for determining caffeine content or verifying compliance. Beverage labeling practices vary, and not all caffeinated beverages clearly disclose caffeine levels on packaging. Without a defined measurement or labeling standard, school districts may face uncertainty regarding which beverages are permitted.

Third, the statute restricts beverages “sold” by schools but does not clearly address common school distribution channels such as vending machine contracts, booster organizations, school events, fundraising activities, or third-party vendors operating on school property.

Without clarification, identical beverages may be treated differently depending on the entity conducting the sale.

Fourth, the bill does not define whether the restriction applies to all enrolled students or only to minors. Many high school students are legally adults, yet the statute refers generally to “children enrolled” in the district. Clarification would improve statutory precision and avoid unintended application to adult students.

Finally, the bill establishes a prohibition but provides no clear enforcement mechanism, oversight authority, or compliance structure for school districts.

For these reasons, the bill would benefit from clearer standards regarding caffeine measurement, container size considerations, distribution channels, and enforcement provisions. Without such clarification, HB 1880 risks producing inconsistent results that prohibit some ordinary beverages while allowing others with similar or greater stimulant concentrations.

Members of the General Assembly are respectfully placed on notice that addressing these drafting issues during the legislative process would improve the clarity and enforceability of the proposed statute.