

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 2792H.01I
Bill No.: HB 1403
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Elementary and Secondary Education,
Department of; Transportation
Type: Original
Date: March 30, 2021

Bill Summary: This proposal creates provisions relating to video recordings made during the transportation of students.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Local Government	(Unknown, Could be substantial)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

Officials from the **Kansas City Public Schools** state they have roughly 160 buses and they all have cameras. The estimated cost per bus to install a camera system is \$2,100.

Officials from the **Saint Louis Public Schools** state their buses are 100% contracted. The 303 buses (276 actives, plus 27 spare buses) are equipped with two (2) audio/visual cameras. They do not know the installation cost, as they are included in the contractual rate per bus.

Officials from **Columbia Public Schools** state they contract their transportation with Student Transportation of America. There are 205 buses and they have cameras in all of them.

Officials from the **Springfield Public Schools** state they have 165 buses in the Springfield Public Schools district. All buses are currently equipped with a manual camera system

Oversight notes there are 11,899 school buses operating in Missouri based information provided by DESE. If half of the school buses currently do not have camera systems, Oversight estimates a one-time cost to install cameras at \$12,495,000 assuming a cost of \$2,100 (from Kansas City Public Schools' response) per bus $((11,899 / 2) * \$2,100)$.

Oversight is uncertain how many of the school districts currently have school buses with camera systems. The four school districts that responded indicated they already use cameras on school buses. Oversight will show an unknown cost that could be substantial for the first year and unknown on-going maintenance and data storage costs in the subsequent years.

Oversight received a limited number of responses from school districts related to the fiscal impact of this proposal. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information available. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other school districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

Rule Promulgation

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** notes many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The Secretary of State's office is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to Secretary of State's office for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The Secretary of State's office recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, they also recognize that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what their office can sustain with their core budget. Therefore, they reserve the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
<u>Costs</u> - install and maintain camera systems on all school buses - §160.578	(Unknown, Could be substantial)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS	(Unknown, Could be substantial)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Small student-transportation businesses would be impacted by this proposal.

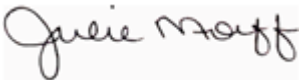
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires school districts and charter schools to install and maintain camera systems on school buses, and ensure that buses that are used by a contracted company also maintain video coverage. The bill requires the district to save and have access to the video for at least 60 days after recording, and make such video available upon request. In the case of a request or incident, the video in question shall be maintained for a year.

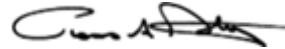
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Kansas City Public Schools
Saint Louis Public Schools
Columbia Public Schools
Springfield Public Schools



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