COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4138H.03P
Bill No.: Perfected HCS for HB Nos. 1715 & 2630
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; Teachers; Children and Minors
Type: Original
Date: April 10, 2024

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes antibullying requirements for school districts.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on General				
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on Other State				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on <u>All</u> Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
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 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
	Unknown or	Unknown or	Unknown or	
Local Government	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** and **Department of Social Services (DSS)** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

Oversight assumes there could be costs for school districts if a parent brings a civil action against a district. Oversight will show a range of impact of \$0 to an unknown cost.

Oversight notes that Section 160.775.9 (2) states that if a school district or charter school prevails in an action brought against such school district or charter school described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the court shall award court costs and attorney's fees to such prevailing school district or charter school. For purposes of the fiscal note, Oversight will reflect a potential revenue gain to school districts in the fiscal note.

House Amendment 1

Oversight assumes House Amendment 1 will have no fiscal impact.

Officials from the Attorney General's Office did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact for this proposal.

Oversight received zero 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 received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other school districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the Missouri Legislative Information System (MOLIS) database is available upon request.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2025 (10 Mo.)	FY 2026	FY 2027
SCHOOL DISTRICTS	(10 100.)		
<u>Revenue</u> – potential collection of court			
fees and attorney's fees if the school	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or
district prevails §160.775.9 (2)	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
<u>Costs</u> – for implementation costs, court			
costs, attorney fees and damages	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or
§160.775	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON	Unknown or	Unknown or	Unknown or
SCHOOL DISTRICTS	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill modifies provisions relating to school anti-bullying policies.

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 Department of Social Services

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