

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6737H.011
Bill No.: HB 3077
Subject: Elementary and Secondary Education; Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; Children and Minors; Internet and E-Mail
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Bill Summary: This proposal requires school districts to develop a curriculum regarding the responsible use of social media.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
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 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
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 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Local Government	\$0	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)

*Oversight notes School districts will be required to develop a curriculum or use a third-party developer to create the curriculum.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§170.043 – Curriculum on Using Social Media

Officials from **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume §170.043 requires that school districts develop a curriculum for grades 6-12 containing at least one unit of instruction on the use of social media and that such curriculum be submitted to DESE. DESE assumes that school districts themselves would be responsible for the development of the curriculum and there would be no impact on DESE. However, if DESE is called upon to create this curriculum then DESE assumes a work group will be needed. DESE assumes this workgroup will consist of two members from each of the nine RPDCs around the state and they will need to meet for a total of four days in total with an estimated cost of \$50,112.

DESE also notes it does not collect curriculum submissions from LEAs (for any subject area as LEAs have local control over curriculum), nor does DESE typically endorse third party vendors. The required content areas outlined in this bill—including mental health impacts, misinformation, online safety, and reporting of harmful behavior—overlap with existing Missouri Learning Standards/Frameworks in health education, school counseling, school based mental health, etc. For example, the School Counseling and Student Wellness section of DESE is currently developing K-12 social media curriculum media lessons.

Lastly, DESE notes that any changes to curriculum that DESE develops will not occur by the 2026-27 school year as the norm is to have one year to develop such curriculum.

Oversight notes the responsibility will be with school districts to develop a curriculum and implement training. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for DESE regarding curriculum development.

Oversight assumes school districts will be required to either develop a curriculum to meet the needs of the proposal within the district or contract with a third party to develop a curriculum for their district. Oversight assumes districts will also need to implement training on the curriculum prior to implementation. Oversight notes the United States Department of Education offers curriculum development tool kits free of charge; however, the district would still have staff time in the creation and implementation. It is unclear if school districts would choose to create their own curriculum to meet the needs of the proposal or if they would hire a third party. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 (curriculum in use) or unknown cost to school districts to develop and implement a new curriculum.

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. 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. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
<u>Cost – School Districts (\$170.043) Develop curriculum p.3</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0 or (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 or (Unknown)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0 or (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 or (Unknown)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires school districts to develop a curriculum for grades 6-12 with at least one unit of responsible social media use and beginning in the 2027-28 school year, to teach such curriculum annually.

The bill outlines information the curriculum must provide including, but not limited to, the social, emotional, and physical effect of social media, the mental health effect on teens, the influence on thoughts and behaviors and the risk of sharing material online.

Districts can also include benefits of social media in the curriculum and use curriculum developed by a third-party that is recognized by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The bill also requires districts to provide resources to staff and families regarding technology use, as provided in the bill.

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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

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