

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1996

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Parrish

3. Committee Education

4. Title Criminal records checks for school board employees.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** Criminal records checks for school board employees. Provides that the criminal records history obtained by school boards for applicants who are offered or who accept school board employment, whether on a temporary, permanent, or part- or full-time basis, address all felony and misdemeanor convictions and equivalent offenses in other states. Currently, the records are searched for all felonies and any misdemeanors involving drugs, abuse or neglect of children, moral turpitude, obscenity offenses, and sexual assault.

6. **Fiscal Impact:** See Item 8.

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:** The fiscal impact of the proposed legislation is not known. The proposed legislation, by eliminating the restrictive language so that any type of arrest of a school employee is subjected to this mandate, will increase the number of reports that will be developed and filed by law enforcement agencies to the pertinent school division superintendents. Also, the proposed legislation strikes the language that limits what convictions are to be identified during the required "condition of employment" criminal records check. The proposed legislation will not necessarily change the volume of criminal records checks but impact the complexity of the reports to be filed.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Law enforcement agencies, Department of State Police

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

11. **Other comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety

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