

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2588

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

2. Patron Christian

3. Committee Education

4. Title Reciprocity for criminal history records check.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill authorizes local school boards to exchange information obtained from a criminal history records check of an applicant, if the applicant has requested and given permission in writing that another school board to which he has applied for employment may be informed of the results, and if the last records check was within the previous 90 days. Criminal history record information pertaining to an applicant may only be exchanged between school boards in the Commonwealth with current reciprocity agreements. The agreements must provide for the apportionment of the costs of fingerprinting and the criminal record check, as currently provided by law; however, the applicant may not be charged by each school board for conducting the criminal history records check.

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

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No

8. **Fiscal implications:** This proposal allows local school boards with reciprocity agreements to exchange criminal history information on applicants if the applicant has requested and given permission for the exchange. Since the proposal permits a sharing of costs, there could be a small savings to the applicant, the school boards, and the State Police. The actual savings can not be determined since the cost sharing formula and the costs of the check can vary between localities.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Education, Department of State Police, local schools and police departments

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No

11. **Other comments:** None

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