

**Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number HB2266

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron Bell

3. Committee Education

4. Title School boards; policies on bullying, harassment, and intimidation.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill requires school boards to include policies to prevent, prohibit, and control bullying, harassment, and intimidation in the character education program and their codes of student conduct. School board policies must address reporting of incidents; strategies for protecting victims; training for teachers, administrators, and other personnel; and education for students on bullying, harassment, and intimidation. The bill also defines bullying, harassment, and intimidation, and requires the reporting of incidents of stalking to law enforcement. The principal must also report certain incidents that may constitute criminal offenses (that are currently reported to law-enforcement agencies) to the parents of the student who is the object of the behavior, with an attached copy of a concise description of the procedure for filing a juvenile petition and the process for contacting the local law-enforcement agency.

6. No Fiscal Impact

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: This bill has no fiscal impact.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: School divisions.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Education