

## Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** SB1346

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

2. **Patron** Newman

3. **Committee** Education and Health

4. **Title** Local school boards; contractors.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** Provides that as a condition of awarding a contract for the provision of services that require the contractor or his employees to have direct contact with students, the school board must require the contractor to provide certification that all employees who will provide such services have not been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child.

The bill also provides that the requirement be waived in emergency situations where it is reasonably anticipated that the contractor or his employees will have no direct contact with students.

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

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

8. **Fiscal implications:** Currently, any contractor or relevant employee that will have direct contact with students is required to provide certification that (i) he has not been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child; and (ii) whether he has been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude.

This legislation would modify the requirement for certification by making it applicable only to those employees that will have direct contact with students *on school property during regular school hours or during school-sponsored activities*. In addition, this bill would no longer require certification that the contractor or his employees have not been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude. These modifications may reduce the number of employees that must provide the necessary certification; however, it is not anticipated that this legislation will have any fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Local school divisions.

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

11. **Other comments:** This bill is similar to HB 1707.

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