

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1644

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

2. Patron: O'Bannon

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Public schools; physical education requirement.

5. Summary: Requires at least 150 minutes of physical education per week on average during the regular school year for grades K through eight (except those in half-day kindergarten), with a similar goal for high school students. This requirement would go into effect beginning with the 2014 -2015 school year.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The engrossed version of this bill removes the requirement for daily physical education but maintains the overall requirement of at least 150 minutes of physical education per week on average during the regular school year for grades kindergarten through eight. This version of the bill would also exempt any half-day kindergarten program from this requirement. Furthermore, each local school board would be required to incorporate into its local wellness policy a goal for the implementation of a similar program for high school students during the regular school year. These provisions would become effective beginning with the 2014-2015 school year (fiscal year 2015).

This legislation does not propose modifying any of the staffing standards in Standard 2 of the Standards of Quality statute, including the number of elementary resource positions funded in the SOQ, therefore, there would be no state funding impact from this legislation. However, there would likely be a significant local impact to employ sufficient staff to meet the minutes per week physical education requirement in grades kindergarten through eight. At this time, the number of additional staff that would need to be hired and the divisions impacted are unknown; therefore, an estimate of the local fiscal impact cannot be determined.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Board of Education and local school divisions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: Similar to SB966.

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