

## Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB1194

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

**2. Patron:** Alexander

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Juvenile alleged to be truant; development of truancy plan.

**5. Summary:** Provides that in cases in which a school attendance officer files a complaint alleging that a juvenile is a truant and the juvenile has not previously been proceeded against informally or adjudicated in need of supervision for failure to comply with compulsory school attendance laws, the intake officer may defer filing of a petition alleging that the child is in need of supervision for 90 days and proceed informally by implementing a truancy plan developed by a school-based multidisciplinary team, a locally based multidisciplinary team, the appropriate public agency, or an interagency interdisciplinary team. The provisions of this act shall not become effective unless reenacted by the 2014 Session of the General Assembly.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This legislation states that if a juvenile fails to comply with compulsory school attendance laws, the student shall be referred to either a school-based multidisciplinary team or an interagency interdisciplinary team, depending on the circumstances surrounding the child's absence. The team will identify factors contributing to the child's nonattendance and specific services necessary to address those factors and develop a plan for how such services will be delivered; including sources of funding that may be available for the provision of those necessary services. The specific services that may be deemed necessary to provide to the student and/or parents/guardians by the interdisciplinary team are unknown and will vary by student. Therefore, it is not possible to reliably estimate the potential cost of these services. However, nothing in this legislation is interpreted as expanding eligibility for current state-funded services or requiring the state to provide funding to support these services so it is assumed that any such costs would be borne entirely by the local school divisions.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Local school divisions.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**Date:** 02/28/2013

c: Secretary of Health and Human Resources  
Secretary of Education