

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1355

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

2. Patron: Rasoul

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: Community Services Efficiency Act; Department of Education; community schools.

5. Summary: Requires the Department of Education to establish an interagency task force composed of state and local agencies and entities in the areas of early childhood development, health, social services, community engagement, family engagement, higher education, communities in schools, and workforce development for the purpose of developing a program for the establishment of community schools whereby public elementary and secondary schools serve as centers for the provision of such community programs and services to students and their families as may be necessary on the basis of the unique needs of the student population to be served. The bill requires such program to include a process by which school boards and community partnerships may apply to the Department of Education to designate an elementary or secondary school in the local school division as a community school. The bill also establishes a special nonreverting fund in the state treasury for the purpose of providing planning grants for school boards and community partnerships that seek to apply to the Department of Education through such program for community school designation.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 137.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Education (DOE) estimates an additional state cost of \$55,075 in FY 2021 and \$45,075 in FY 2022 and outgoing years to implement the provisions of this bill. DOE will need additional staff to support the program and grant management requirements of this bill. This estimate reflects 0.25 of a full-time-equivalent pay band five position with \$30,075 for salary and benefits and \$10,000 to support technology, travel, and professional development costs. Additionally, DOE will need to convene stakeholder meetings at an estimated cost of \$2,500 per meeting with six meetings in the first year (\$15,000) and two meetings in each outgoing year (\$5,000).

The additional state cost for the community schools planning grants cannot be determined, as any cost is dependent on the amount of funding appropriated by the General Assembly for such grants.

Any fiscal impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Education, local school divisions

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None