

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1575

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" 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: Walker

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Public elementary and secondary schools; development of the Safety While Accessing Technology.

5. Summary: Directs that Internet Safety Advisory Council may collaborate with law-enforcement agencies, criminal justice agencies, and other nongovernmental organizations with expertise in child online safety issues and human trafficking prevention. The bill also directs the Council to develop and recommend to the Board of Education model instructional practices and instructional content on safe and responsible use of social networking websites, the risks of transmitting personal information on the Internet and the importance of privacy protection, copyright laws on written materials, photographs, music, and videos posted or shared online, the importance of establishing open communication with responsible adults about any online communications or activities, and how to recognize, avoid, and report suspicious, potentially dangerous, or illegal online communications or activities. The bill also directs the Council to design and post on the Department's website resources and assistance programs available for any child or parent who may have encountered online solicitation by sexual predators or other illegal online communications or activities.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary, see Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Education (DOE) does not anticipate any fiscal impact as a direct result of the provisions bill. If the Council's recommendations require DOE to develop instructional content, DOE anticipates a need for \$30,000 in one-time additional general fund support to work with stake holders and consultants.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Board of Education, Internet Safety Advisory Council, Department of Education, local school divisions, law enforcement agencies, criminal justice agencies.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None