

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB993

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: Miller

3. Committee: Finance

4. Title: Physical activity requirement in public schools.

5. Summary: Requires at least 30 minutes of physical activity per day during the regular school year for students in grades kindergarten through eight. This requirement becomes effective beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, school divisions are required to offer a program of physical fitness available to all students in grades kindergarten through 12 with a goal of at least 150 minutes per week on average during the regular school year. These provisions would remain in effect for grades nine through 12 if this legislation is passed.

This legislation does not propose modifying any of the staffing standards in Standard 2 of the Standards of Quality (SOQ) statute, including the number of elementary and secondary resource positions funded in the SOQ; therefore, the bill does not have a state fiscal impact. However, there would likely be a significant local impact to employ sufficient staff to meet the daily physical activity requirement in grades kindergarten through eight. Schools that utilize block scheduling for instructional delivery could be particularly impacted by the daily requirement of a physical activity program. At this time, the extent of the changes needed by school divisions to implement the provisions of this legislation is unknown; therefore, a reliable estimate of the potential local cost 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: None.

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