

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2144

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Turpin

3. Committee: Appropriations

4. Title: Duty-Free Lunch Grant Fund and Program established.

5. Summary: Establishes the Duty-Free Lunch Grant Fund and Program for the purpose of awarding grants on a competitive basis to school boards to provide teachers in the local school division with an uninterrupted lunch period during which they have no instructional, administrative, or other duties to perform. The bill requires the Department of Education to administer the Program and to establish such guidelines and procedures as it deems necessary for the administration of the Program, including guidelines and procedures for grant applications, awards, and renewals.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Items 131 and 135.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The additional state cost for the Duty-Free Lunch Grant Program cannot be determined, as any cost is dependent on the amount of funding appropriated by the General Assembly for such grants.

The Department of Education estimates an additional state cost of \$50,000 to support a wage employee to administer the Duty-Free Lunch Grant Fund and Program.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None