

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2599

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Bell, John J.

**3. Committee:** Education

**4. Title:** Use of seclusion and restraint in public schools.

**5. Summary:** Prohibits (i) any school board employee from restraining a student at school in a prone or facedown position and (ii) any student from being placed in seclusion at school unless the room or space in which he is secluded is free from all potentially dangerous or harmful materials or the student is continuously monitored in-person or with live video monitoring. The bill requires the principal or his designee to notify the parent of any student who is restrained or secluded at school of such incident on the day on which the incident occurs or as soon as practical after the incident occurs. The bill also requires each incident of seclusion or restraint to be documented in a manner that describes the incident with sufficient detail, including the employee's rationale for restraining or secluding the student and the methods employed, and such documentation to be provided to the school board, the principal, and the student's parent.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that the Board of Education and the Department of Education can absorb any costs resulting from the provisions of this bill. Any fiscal impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None