

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1140

<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:** Keam

**3. Committee:** Labor and Commerce

**4. Title:** Clean School Bus Grant Fund and Program; establishment.

**5. Summary:** Establishes the Clean School Bus Grant Fund and requires the Department of Education to establish the Clean School Bus Grant Program for the purpose of (i) awarding grants from the Fund on a competitive basis to school boards for (a) the complete replacement of existing diesel school buses with electric school buses no later than 2030, (b) the implementation of recharging infrastructure or other infrastructure needed to charge or maintain such electric school buses, and (c) workforce development and training to support the maintenance, charging, and operation of such electric school buses and (ii) developing education outreach to promote the Program. The bill contains provisions relating to grant applications, priority, awards, and uses. The bill requires the Department of Education to make available to the public and annually report to the General Assembly certain information relating to the Program. The bill has an expiration date of July 1, 2030.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 143.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Education (DOE) can absorb the cost to develop the Clean School Bus Grant Program with existing resources. Once the program is operational, DOE will require additional staff support to administer the program and report data. DOE estimates an additional state cost of \$18,000 per year, which includes \$15,000 for wages and \$3,000 for technology costs.

The additional state cost for the Clean School Bus Grant Program cannot be determined, as any cost is dependent on the amount of funding appropriated by the General Assembly for such grants.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None