

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB13

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: Ware

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: High school graduation; requires passing score on select questions from U.S. Naturalization, etc.

5. Summary: Requires the Board of Education, in establishing high school graduation requirements, to require, except in the case of a high school student whose individualized education program indicates otherwise, each high school student to take and correctly answer at least 70 percent of the questions on a test composed of at least 25 but not more than 50 of the questions on the civics portion of the U.S. Naturalization Test in order to graduate high school with a standard or advanced studies diploma, provided that such student may take such test at any time during grades nine through 12 and as many times during such period as necessary to achieve the minimum 70 percent passing score.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The Board of Education can absorb any cost associated with establishing new graduation requirements. If the Department of Education (DOE) is required to create new testing items related to this requirement for local school divisions to use, there could be additional costs from DOE's contracted testing company. Any actual impact is indeterminate. Any 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: This bill is similar to HB10.