## Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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## ORIGINAL

Bill Number:HB2066Patron:GarrettBill Title:School boards; employee criminal history records checks and applications; penalty for<br/>noncompliance.

**Bill Summary:** Clarifies that certain school board employees who are (i) employed in an in-person or remote capacity or some combination thereof or (ii) fully licensed, provisionally licensed, or unlicensed are subject to the requirements in existing law to undergo a criminal history records check and a search of the registry of founded complaints of child abuse and neglect and to disclose certain criminal history information at the employment application stage and upon arrest. The bill provides that in the event that any school board fails or refuses to perform its duty to require any employee to undergo a criminal history records check as set forth in relevant law, each individual member of such board is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and his position on such school board shall be deemed vacant.

Budget Amendment Necessary:NoItems Impacted:NoneExplanation:The anticipated state fiscal impact as a result of the misdemeanor offense outlined in this<br/>bill is indeterminate. Any impact to localities is indeterminate.

**Fiscal Summary:** This bill creates new misdemeanor offenses and, therefore, may have an indeterminate state fiscal impact as explained below.

**Fiscal Analysis:** A Class 3 misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of up to \$500. These offenses carry no jail time. All revenue collected from such fines is deposited into the Literary Fund. However, it is not possible to estimate either the number of convictions that may result or the amount of each fine that may be assessed under this legislation. Therefore, the impact of this bill from new Class 3 misdemeanor offenses cannot be determined.

Other: None.