Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB2364H1 **Patron:** Wilt
Bill Title: Advanced Emergency Training and First Aid Equipment Grant Fund and Program established.

Bill Summary: Establishes the School Safety and Security Grant Fund and Program for the purpose of awarding grants from the Fund on a merit-based, competitive basis to school divisions to cover the cost of equipment purchases and installations, including emergency first aid equipment and equipment for which a school division is not eligible for a grant pursuant to the Public School Security Equipment Grant Act of 2013; software purchases; planning; and on-site emergency training of school board employees whose positions involve regular interaction with students.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** 123,124
Explanation: This bill would create a new fund and grant program with such funds as may be appropriated or otherwise provided to the fund; therefore a budget amendment is necessary only if funds are provided for grants. Any actual impact for grant awards would depend on the amount appropriated. If funds are appropriated for grants, the Department of Education (DOE) would require additional funding in order to administer the grants, as explained below. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

Fiscal Summary: If state funds are appropriated for the grant program, DOE would require $48,000 general fund per year beginning in FY26 for contract staff support.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
201 (DOE)	0	$48,000	$48,000	$48,000	$48,000	$48,000
TOTAL	**0**	**$48,000**	**$48,000**	**$48,000**	**$48,000**	**$48,000**

Fiscal Analysis: This bill would place requirements on DOE to establish and administer the School Safety and Security grant program, if funded. DOE anticipates that there would be additional costs to establish the rules, processes, and procedures for the program. DOE estimates the need for $48,000 general fund per year beginning in FY26 to administer the grant. This is based on an assumption of 480 hours of work at a cost of $100 per hour.

Other: None**.**