

**Department of Planning and Budget  
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State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**Bill Number:** SB1413E **Patron:** Surovell  
**Bill Title:** Public school buildings; indoor air quality standards.

**Bill Summary:** Establishes several enumerated requirements for school boards to ensure indoor air quality in each public school building in the local school division, including (i) identifying a designated individual to oversee the establishment of and adherence to a preventive maintenance schedule for the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system in each such building and the implementation of the use of general or local exhaust ventilation in areas of each such building where housekeeping and maintenance activities involve the use of equipment or products that could reasonably be expected to result in hazardous chemical or particulate exposures, among other things; (ii) controlling microbial and fungal contamination in each such building by promptly repairing water intrusion that can promote microbial or fungal growth; (iii) ensuring indoor air quality during renovation and remodeling or new construction in various ways; and (iv) keeping school building system maintenance records. The bill also requires each school board to accept and respond to any school board employee complaints relating to indoor air quality in public school buildings, maintain copies of any such complaints and responses to such complaints, and include the copies of any such complaints and responses to such complaints made during the preceding year in the annual plan each school board is required to maintain pursuant to the provisions of the bill.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** indeterminate **Items Impacted:** 123

**Explanation:** The Department of Education (DOE) may be required to establish and maintain a complaint and resolution process or support local administration of a complaint and resolution process. If so, DOE anticipates that additional funding for contract staff will be required. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

**Fiscal Summary:** If required to establish a complaint and resolution process or support local administration of a complaint and resolution process, the Department of Education estimates that \$36,000 general fund per year would be needed to support contracted work.

**General Fund Expenditure Impact:**

Agency	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
201 (DOE)	\$0	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>

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**Fiscal Analysis:** This bill places multiple requirements on local school boards to maintain air quality in buildings and to participate in a complaint and resolution process with employees. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

The bill directs that school board employees may file a complaint against a school board, but does not direct where that complain should be filed. The bill does state the Department may request information related to the complaint and that a written report of remedial action shall be submitted to the Department. DOE anticipates that if the Department is required to establish and administer this complaint process or support the local administration of the process, a part time contractor would need to be hired to complete this work. DOE estimates a total cost of \$36,000 general fund per year beginning in FY26, which assumes 500 hours of work per year at a rate of \$72/per hour.

**Other:** This bill is similar to HB2618.