

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB2679ER **Patron:** Reaser
Bill Title: School boards; threat assessment teams and procedures; parental notification of student determined to pose a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others; provision of certain recognition and response materials required.

Bill Summary: Requires each division superintendent or his designee to provide materials on recognition of and strategies for responding to behavior indicating that a student poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others to the parent or legal guardian of any student who, according to a preliminary determination from a threat assessment team, poses such a threat. The bill specifies that the provision of such materials shall occur either in the initial attempt to immediately notify such student's parent or legal guardian pursuant to applicable law or through a separate communication to such student's parent or legal guardian made as soon as practicable thereafter. The bill (i) requires such materials to be selected in accordance with the criteria and guidelines developed by the Board pursuant to the provisions of the bill; (ii) requires such materials to include information on the requirements set forth in applicable law relating to the safe storage of firearms in the presence of minors; and (iii) permits such materials to include guidance on best practices and strategies for limiting a student's access to lethal means, including firearms and medications.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** 117
Explanation: The Department of Education would have one-time costs to hire contractors to develop the guidelines required by this bill. Any impact to the Department of Health and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services can be absorbed.

Fiscal Summary: The Department of Education estimates \$21,600 in one-time costs.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>
201 (DOE)	\$0	\$21,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$21,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis: The Department of Education (DOE) anticipates that contractors would need to be hired to develop the guidelines required by this bill at a total estimated cost of \$21,600. This assumes 300 hours of work at \$72 an hour.

Other: None.