

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB290

Patron: Anderson

Bill Title: False statements as to school division or attendance zone residency; penalty.

Bill Summary: Requires any person who knowingly makes a false statement concerning the residency of a child in a particular school division or school attendance zone for the purposes of avoiding tuition charges or of enrollment in a school outside the attendance zone in which the student resides to be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$250 in addition to prorated tuition charges. Current law declares any person who takes any such action guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250, in addition to the tuition charge penalty.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: There is no anticipated state cost as a result of this bill. Any change to revenue collected from fines is indeterminate.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill reduces the charge for making a false statement as to school division or attendance zone residency from a Class 4 misdemeanor to a civil penalty, which have the same potential fine of up to \$250. All revenue collected from such fines is deposited into the Literary Fund. However, it is not possible to estimate either the number or amount of each fine that may be assessed under this legislation. Therefore, the impact of this bill cannot be determined.

Other: None