

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2026 General Assembly Session  
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** HB171                    **Patron:** Askew  
**Bill Title:** Student instruction; internet safety; certain topics.

**Bill Summary:** Requires the internet safety component that is integrated into each school division's instructional program as required by its acceptable internet use policy to include instruction on key modern digital safety topics, including online scams, misinformation, and content generated by artificial intelligence.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**Items Impacted:** None

**Explanation:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

**Fiscal Analysis:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact to update the guidelines pursuant to the bill. Any impact to local school divisions to review and amend school division acceptable use policy for the internet is indeterminate.

**Other:** None.