

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1113

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Bill Title: Department of Education; culturally responsive and language-appropriate mental health support and services; guidance and policies.

Bill Summary: Requires, no later than October 1, 2027, the Department of Education to develop, adopt, and provide to each local school board guidance on the adoption of policies governing the provision of culturally responsive and language-appropriate mental health support and services for students in the local school division and permits any school board to develop and adopt policies in the local school division that are consistent with the guidelines adopted and provided by the Department of Education.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes

Items Impacted: 117

Explanation: The Department of Education would require additional funding to support the work required by the bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

Fiscal Summary: The Department of Education estimates a one-time cost of \$60,000 general fund in FY27 to support development and adoption of the policies required by the bill.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031
201 (DOE)	\$0	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis: This bill requires the Department of Education (DOE) to develop, adopt, and provide to local school divisions guidance on policies relating to the provision of culturally responsive and language-appropriate mental health support and services for students. DOE does not currently have staff available to complete this work and would require additional support from contractors in order to implement the bill. DOE estimates a one-time cost of \$60,000 general fund in FY27 to support consultants for development and training costs.

Any impact to local school divisions to implement the policies is indeterminate.

Other: None