

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

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ORIGINAL

**Bill Number:** HB1503                            **Patron:** Hayes  
**Bill Title:** High school athletic coaches; sickle cell trait training.

**Bill Summary:** Directs local school divisions to require all high school athletic coaches to complete, prior to coaching any sport and at least every two years thereafter, an online or in-person course of instruction regarding sickle cell trait approved by the Board of Education in collaboration with the Department of Health.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes                            **Items Impacted:** 117  
**Explanation:** The Department of Education would require additional one time funding to support the requirements of this bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

**Fiscal Summary:** The Department of Education would require \$10,000 general fund one time in FY27 to approve a training program. If the Department of Education were to facilitate trainings for local school divisions an additional \$50,000 general fund would be required each year in which the training is offered.

**General Fund Expenditure Impact:**

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

**Fiscal Analysis:** This bill requires the Department of Education (DOE) to approve a course of instruction regarding sickle cell trait to be offered to all high school athletic coaches. DOE would need to consult with a subject matter expert in order to approve this course at an estimated cost of \$10,000 general fund in FY27. Additionally, if DOE were to deliver training through professional development sessions or group learning activities statewide, DOE estimates a cost of \$50,000 one time each year in which the training is offered.

Any impact to local school divisions to provide trainings is indeterminate.

**Other:** None