Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB178ER **Patron:** Anthony
Bill Title: Certified student support agencies; DOE to assess impact of developing program for students.

Bill Summary: Directs the Department of Education to assess the impact of developing a program to provide student support programs to students enrolled in a public elementary or secondary school through certified student support agencies and submit a report on any findings to the Chairs of the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health and the House Committees on Appropriations and Education no later than November 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** 123
Explanation: The Department of Education anticipates the need for additional one time funding to support the work and reporting requirement of the bill.

Fiscal Summary: The Department of Education (DOE) anticipates a one time cost of $57,440 general fund in FY27 to support the work required by the bill, as explained in the fiscal analysis.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031
201 (DOE)	$0	$57,440	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL	**$0**	**$57,440**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Fiscal Analysis: This bill directs the Department of Education (DOE) to assess the impact of developing a program to provide student support programs to students through certified student support agencies. The bill has several requirements for DOE to consider and directs DOE to report to the General Assembly by November 1, 2026. DOE does not currently have resources available to complete this work and estimates a one time cost of $57,440 general fund in FY27 to support the work. DOE's estimate assumes contracted support at 20 hours of work per week for six months (26 weeks) at $72 per hour and four working sessions at $5,000 per meeting.

Other: This bill is a companion to SB190.