

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB573

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Henson

3. **Committee:** Education

4. **Title:** Student safety and discipline; certain reports to school principals and division superintendents.

5. **Summary:** Requires local law-enforcement authorities to prepare in writing and provide to the principal or his designee and the division superintendent a report on (i) any suspected offense, offense for which any charge has been filed, or offense that is subject to investigation that was committed or is suspected to have been committed by a student enrolled at the school if the offense would be (a) a felony if committed by an adult, (b) a violation of the Drug Control Act and occurred on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity, or (c) an adult misdemeanor involving certain enumerated incidents and (ii) whether the student is released to the custody of his parent or, if 18 years of age or older, is released on bond. The bill requires division superintendents to report all such incidents to the Department of Education in an annual report that is made available to the public. Current law does not require such reports to be in writing and only applies to student offenses but does not specify whether such reports are required to be made for student offenses that are suspected, charged, or subject to investigation.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from the provisions of this bill. Any impact to local law enforcement agencies or local school divisions is indeterminate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Local school divisions, local law-enforcement authorities, Department of Education

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** None