



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1228

PRINTERS NO. 3299

PRIME SPONSOR: English

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2017/18	FY 2018/19
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1228 amends the Public School Code concerning sun protection measures for students. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1228 adds a new section to the Public School Code concerning sun protection measures for students. The new section would allow students, when outdoors at school, at a school sponsored event or under the supervision of school personnel, to use sun-protective clothing, including, but not limited to, hats. Schools would still be able to prohibit certain clothing or hats based upon the inappropriateness of the graphics, color or message of the attire.

The new section would also allow students, during school hours or at a school-sponsored activity, to apply a non-aerosol topical sunscreen product without a physician's note or prescription if the product is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for over-the-counter use. The parent or guardian of the student would have to submit a school-provided form back to the school attesting that the student can apply the sunscreen to themselves and the school is not responsible for ensuring it is applied. The student would also have to supply a form attesting that he or she knows how to properly apply, handle, and dispose of the sunscreen.

The Department of Education must develop model forms that school districts can use and supply to parents, guardians, and students for the purposes described above.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: April 16, 2018

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.