



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 27

PRINTER'S NO. 1639

PRIME SPONSOR: Struzzi

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

This bill extends provisions providing flexibility related to filling substitute teacher vacancies.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 27, Printer's Number 1639, amends Article I – Preliminary Provisions – of the Public School Code to make permanent the special provisions related to hiring annuitants to fill substitute teacher vacancies during an emergency or shortage without having to first attempt to secure nonretired personnel.

The bill also makes three changes to Article XII – Certification of Teachers – of the Public School Code. First, it extends, from 2024/25 through 2025/26, the provision allowing prospective teachers to serve as substitutes for an unlimited number of days, while stipulating that student teachers may only serve as a substitute for no more than ten days. Second, the bill permanently extends the provision that was due to expire after 2024/25 allowing temporary substitutes working on a locally issued temporary certification to serve for more than 20 consecutive days. Third, the bill extends the timeline from 2023 to 2026 related to when school entities are required to report classroom monitor information to the Department of Education.

House Bill 27 would take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 27 would have no adverse fiscal impact on commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (D)

DATE: July 5, 2023

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