



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1553

PRINTER'S NO. 2761

PRIME SPONSOR: Delloso

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1553 amends the Public School Code of 1949 to require student identification cards for students in grades six through twelve to include a suicide prevention hotline telephone number.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1553 amends Article V – Duties and Powers of Boards of School Directors – of the Public School Code of 1949 to require school entities’ student identification (ID) cards for students in grades six through twelve to include, beginning with the 2024/25 school year, a national, state, or local suicide prevention hotline telephone number that is accessible 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

A school entity is defined as an area career and technical school, school district, intermediate unit, cyber charter school, charter school, or regional charter school.

House Bill 1553 also amends Article XIII-B – School Safety and Security – of the Public School Code of 1949 to expand the specific duties of a school entity’s school safety and security coordinator to include ensuring suicide prevention resources are displayed in conspicuous locations and on the school entity’s website.

This legislation would take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 1553 would impose a cost for school entities related to possibly redesigning and reprinting student ID cards. The cost will vary between school entities depending upon multiple factors, including the number of enrolled students in grades six to 12, whether the school entity already issues new student ID cards every year, and whether the school entity produces the ID cards in-house or contracts this service out. An internet search of commercial prices indicates a per unit cost of about \$1 per ID card. There may also be a minimal cost for school entities related to displaying suicide prevention resources in conspicuous locations.

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