

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 423

PRINTER NO. 458

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 9, 2015

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Simmons

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 423 establishes a new Section 1414.3 (Administration of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors by School Bus Drivers) in the Public School Code to provide civil immunity under Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) to school bus drivers who administer epinephrine auto injectors (EpiPens) to students.

The legislation specifies that civil immunity applies when a school bus driver administers an EpiPen in a manner consistent with policies established by the independent school bus contractor and or the school entity that employs the school bus driver and the school bus driver has successfully completed a training program developed and implemented by the Department of Health for the administration of EpiPens. It also provides the Department of Health 90 days from the effective date of this section to develop and implement the training program for the administration of EpiPens.

The legislation is scheduled to take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of House Bill 423 will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth Funds. The provision requiring the Department of Health to develop and implement a training program for the administration of EpiPens should be minimal as it was required to develop and implement a similar program to train school employees in the administration of EpiPens as part of Act 195 of 2014.