



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: S.B. 168 of the 131st G.A.

Date: July 2, 2015

Status: As Passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Sen. LaRose

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed

State Fiscal Highlights

- The bill requires the Department of Education (ODE) to collect data for two years through the statewide Education Management Information System (EMIS) on the person at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed. At the end of those two years, ODE is to prepare and submit a report. This requirement will increase ODE's administrative burden.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- The collection and reporting of the additional data required by the bill will have a negligible effect on the administrative burden of districts and schools.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

Beginning on July 1 that next succeeds the bill's effective date, the bill requires the guidelines adopted by the State Board of Education for the statewide Education Management Information System (EMIS) to require the data maintained by the system to include, for each disciplinary action which is required to be reported pursuant to federal law, an identification of the person or persons, if any, at whom the student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed. This provision will have a negligible effect on the State Board's administrative burden.

The bill specifies that the person or persons must be identified by the respective classification at the district or school, such as student, teacher, or nonteaching employee, and prohibits the person or persons from being identified by name. This provision will have a negligible effect on the administrative burden of districts and schools.

The bill requires the Department of Education (ODE) to prepare a report of the information required to be collected under the bill's provisions for the first two school years following the bill's effective date. The report must be submitted by October 1 that follows the final day of the second school year to the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the chairpersons and ranking minority members of Senate and House Education Committees. This requirement will increase ODE's administrative burden.