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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Passed by the House

Primary Sponsors: Reps. Fowler Arthur and Gross

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- School districts may incur minimal administrative costs to adopt policies or procedures regarding the administration of over-the-counter drugs to students.

Detailed Analysis

The bill requires each school district and chartered nonpublic school to adopt a policy regarding the administration of over-the-counter drugs to students, except in certain cases of emergency situations. The bill defines an “over-the-counter drug” as a drug that may be legally sold without a prescription and that is administered without the instruction of a prescriber. Similar to continuing law with the administration of prescription drugs, a district or school’s policy may include provisions on whether employees may administer over-the-counter drugs. Under the bill, districts and schools may also choose whether to require the permission of a parent or guardian to administer over-the-counter medication. Some schools or districts may already have policies in place regarding the use and administration of over-the-counter medication that comply with the bill. Those that do not may incur minimal administrative costs to develop and adopt any changes to existing policy.