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TO: Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1688 by Dutton (Relating to the employment of school district peace officers and the enforcement of certain violations under a student code of conduct.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would limit the types of school districts that can employ security personnel and commission peace officers to include only independent school districts. It would list specific positions that can serve as the superintendent's designee and would remove a specific requirement for a surety bond.

The bill would exempt violations of current rules concerning buildings and grounds, including those related to parking and traffic control from the student code of conduct if the conduct is not an offense under other law or a specific rule adopted by the board of trustees under this authority.

Local Government Impact

According to the agency, there are currently six common school districts and one municipal school district in the state. To the extent that prohibited districts employ security personnel and commission peace officers and would be able to obtain contracted security services for a similar cost, no significant fiscal implication would be anticipated.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

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