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TO: Honorable Dan Huberty, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director
Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1754 by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to creating a school safety allotment under the foundation school program.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1754, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$516,296,355) through the biennium ending August 31, 2021.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2020	(\$256,501,171)
2021	(\$259,795,184)
2022	(\$263,120,562)
2023	(\$266,488,505)
2024	(\$269,899,558)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from Foundation School Fund 193
2020	(\$256,501,171)
2021	(\$259,795,184)
2022	(\$263,120,562)
2023	(\$266,488,505)
2024	(\$269,899,558)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would establish a school safety allotment of \$50 per student in average daily attendance, or a greater amount established by appropriation. Funds from the new allotment would have to be used for securing facilities, providing security, and school safety training and planning.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

Methodology

The School Safety Allotment would provide an annual allotment of \$50 for each student in average daily attendance (ADA), or a greater amount by appropriation through the Foundation School Program. Based on statewide ADA estimates of 5,130,023 in fiscal year 2020, 5,195,904 in fiscal year 2021, and growing to 5,397,991 in fiscal year 2024, the allotment is estimated to cost \$256.5 million in fiscal year 2020, \$259.8 million in fiscal year 2021, growing to \$269.9 million in fiscal year 2024. Although language in the bill may be interpreted to authorize Chapter 41 districts to receive twice the allotment as other districts, this analysis assumes that all districts would receive an equivalent amount per student in ADA. Costs would significantly increase if Chapter 41 districts were intended to receive twice the allotment.

Local Government Impact

School districts and charter schools would realize increased funding through the school safety allotment.

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