

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB246** by Murr (Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of improper relationship between educator and student.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Penal Code to define sexual contact for the prosecution of the offense of improper relationship between an educator and student. This offense is punished as a second degree felony.

The Office of Court Administration indicates the modifications outlined in the bill's provisions would not result in a significant fiscal impact. This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions for criminal offenses would not result in a significant fiscal impact on state correctional populations or the demand for state correctional resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Admin, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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