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Bill Number:	H. 3028	Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author:	Huggins	
Subject:	Parental Involvement in Their Children's Education Act	
Requestor:	House Education and Public Works	
RFA Analyst(s):	Wren	
Impact Date:	March 5, 2021	

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires the State Department of Education (SDE) to develop a Pledge of Parental Expectations and requires schools to provide a copy of the Pledge of Parental Expectations to each parent.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on SDE since developing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be accomplished within the normal course of agency business.

We do not anticipate that this bill will have an expenditure impact on the state agency schools since we expect that any expenses associated with printing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be managed within current appropriations.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on local school districts since expenses associated with printing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be managed within the existing budgets of the local school districts.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 12, 2021

State Expenditure

This bill defines parent as the biological parent, stepparent, legal custodian, or other person responsible for the welfare of a child in a parental capacity, excluding an individual whose parental relationship to the child has been legally terminated. The bill also requires schools to provide each parent who enrolls a child in the school a printed Pledge of Parental Expectations, which must be developed by SDE.

State Department of Education. SDE indicates that developing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be accomplished within the normal course of agency business. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on SDE.

State Agency Schools. The Governor's School for Science and Mathematics indicates that this bill will have no expenditure impact since the agency currently requires a high level of parental

involvement. The Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities and the School for the Deaf and Blind indicate that any expenses associated with printing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be managed within current appropriations. Also, the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School indicates that the bill will have no expenditure impact since parents and guardians are informed of their expectations during the student's personal interview. Based upon these responses, we expect that any expenses for the Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe can also be managed within current appropriations. Therefore, we do not anticipate that this bill will have an expenditure impact on the state agency schools.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill requires schools to provide each parent who enrolls a child in the school a printed Pledge of Parental Expectations, which must be developed by SDE. Schools must encourage parents to sign the pledge and emphasize its importance during any orientation or open house events.

SDE indicates that any expenses associated with printing the Pledge of Parental Expectations can be managed within the existing budgets of the school districts. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on local school districts.

Local Revenue

N/A



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