

LFC Requester: NOT YET REQUESTED

PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BILL ANALYSIS 2023 REGULAR SESSION

SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Check all that apply:

Original Amendment X
Correction Substitute

Date Prepared: 03/08/23

Bill No: SB450/aSFC

Agency Name and Code

Sponsor: Pirtle

Number: PED - 924

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring	Fund	
FY23	FY24	or Nonrecurring	Affected	
None	None	N/A	NFA	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or	Fund
FY23	FY24	FY25	Nonrecurring	Affected
None	None	None	N/A	NFA

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Tot	al None	\$406.6 - \$818.5	\$42.3 - \$124.7	\$448.9 - \$943.2	Recurring	General Fund

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Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act: None.

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis of SFC Amendment: The Senate Finance Committee amendment to Senate Bill 450 (SB450/aSFC) removes the appropriation of \$195,000.

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Synopsis of Original Bill: Senate Bill 450 (SB450) would create a new section in the Public School Code to require all licensed coaches employed by school districts and charter schools to have current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), including training regarding the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs).

This bill does not contain an effective date. Laws go into effect 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature enacting them, unless a later date is specified. If enacted, this bill would become effective June 16, 2023.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

SB450a/SFC does not contain an appropriation and would create an unfunded mandate for schools and coaches.

Estimated Additional Operating Budget Impact. According to the American Red Cross, combined CPR and AED courses can cost from \$37 to \$109. The certification is valid for two years, meaning this would become a recurring expense for schools or coaches. The impact was calculated by considering there is one coach for each of three levels of each of 13 sports at 160 high schools and one coach for each of the 13 sports at 200 middle schools, and that each coach coaches two sports and that no coaches currently hold CPR certification. This calculation yields a projection that 5,720 coaches that need certification. The operating budget impact was calculated by multiplying the number of estimated coaches by the range of cost for the certification for the first year. Accordingly, the appropriation in this bill is deficient to fully fund the mandate.

FY25 (year 2) cost was calculated assuming an 80 percent retention rate for coaches.

Certification lasts for two years, so the year three (FY26) cost would be approximately the same as FY24.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

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PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

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