TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1726

January 23, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to develop a conflict resolution program that may be implemented by local education agencies (LEAs) and public charter schools for students in any of the grades kindergarten through 12. Requires public charter schools, in addition to LEAs, to implement a conflict resolution intervention program for students in grades one through six (1-6).

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The DOE will be able to develop a conflict resolution program utilizing existing resources such that any increase in expenditures is estimated to be not significant.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-2-118 requires each LEA to implement an intervention program that utilizes conflict resolution and decision-making strategies for students in grades 1-6.
- It is assumed that all LEAs have implemented conflict resolution programs and any permissive adjustments to their programs, including any expansions to grades seven through twelve, will be accomplished without a significant increase in local expenditures.
- It is further assumed that public charter schools will be able to use the conflict resolution program developed by the DOE or will find free online materials that can meet the requirements of the proposed legislation.
- Any impact to state or local government estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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