

## Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2052

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Glass

3. **Committee:** Education

4. **Title:** School boards; policies for excusing students from attendance at school; religious reasons.

5. **Summary:** Requires each local school board to develop policies for excusing students who are absent from school for religious reasons, including the observance of a religious holiday or participation in religious instruction. Current law only requires each local school board to develop policies for excusing students who are absent from school by reason of observance of a religious holiday.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** If a student's excused absences exceeded 15 consecutive days, students may be removed from the local rolls, which may impact the state funding the locality receives. Any state fiscal impact is indeterminate. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Local school divisions

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** None