

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0322H.01I  
Bill No.: HB 304  
Subject: Education, Elementary And Secondary; Education, Higher; Mental Health  
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Bill Summary: This proposal enacts requirements relating to suicide prevention education and information.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
Colleges & Universities	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 6 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** and the **Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

#### § 170.047 Suicide Prevention Training

In response to a similar proposal from 2020 (HCS for HBs 1820 & 1470), officials from the **Normandy Schools Collaborative** estimated that this additional required training will cost \$8,000 or more per year to find time for the additional training, identify and pay trainers, and pay extra time extra duty if necessary for teachers to attend if the PD schedule is already packed full.

**Oversight** assumes this proposal allows, but does not require all teachers, principals, and licensed educators in each district to attend suicide prevention training which shall count as two hours of professional development under section 168.021. Oversight assumes this proposal would not have a fiscal impact as the teachers are already required to have a set number of professional development hours, and suicide education is permissive.

#### § 170.048 Public School Identification Cards

**Oversight** assumes this provision requires public schools, including charter schools, which issue pupil identification cards to have printed on the card specific phone numbers including those for the National Suicide Prevention and the Crisis Text Line.

Oversight assumes the provision could result in one-time additional costs for equipment or supplies. Oversight will show a range of impact of \$0 (any additional cost is minimal and can be absorbed with existing resources) to an unknown cost.

#### § 173.1200 Public Institutions of Higher Education Identification Cards

Officials from University of Central Missouri assumed this proposal would have a minimal impact.

In response to a similar proposal from 2020 (HB 1820), officials from the University of Missouri System assumed, as written, the proposed bill would have little to no fiscal impact on the University. Many of the four UM universities already include some, if not all, of this information on their student ID cards. If provision 173.1200 Section 7 Subsection (2) were removed relating to the use of existing supplies, the fiscal impact of this legislation would be significant.

Officials from **State Technical College of Missouri** stated this proposal would have a negative fiscal impact on the College. Their current student ID printer will not allow information to be printed on the back of the ID card.

Officials from the **Missouri State University** and the **St. Charles Community College** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

**Oversight** assumes this provision requires public institutions of higher education that issue pupil identification cards to have printed on the card specific phone numbers including those for the National Suicide Prevention and the Crisis Text Line.

Oversight assumes the provision could result in one-time additional costs for equipment or supplies. Oversight will show a range of impact of \$0 (any additional cost is minimal and can be absorbed with existing resources) to an unknown cost.

Oversight received a limited number of responses from college, universities and school districts related to the fiscal impact of this proposal. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information available. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other college, universities and school districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

#### Rule Promulgation

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** notes many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The Secretary of State's office is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to Secretary of State's office for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The Secretary of State's office recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, we also recognize that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what our office can sustain with our core budget. Therefore, we reserve the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
<b>COLLEGE &amp; UNIVERSITY FUNDS</b>			
<u>Cost – supplies and equipment to print cards to adhere to §173.1200</u>	\$0 or <u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COLLEGE &amp; UNIVERSITY FUNDS</b>	\$0 or <u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
<b>PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS</b>			
<u>Cost – supplies and equipment to print cards to adhere to §170.048</u>	\$0 or <u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS</b>	\$0 or <u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill names Section 170.047, RSMo, the "Jason Flatt/ Avery Reine Cantor Act". Beginning in the 2022-23 school year, each school district may offer at least two hours of suicide prevention training for all practicing teachers. All teachers, principals, and licensed educators may attend such a training or complete training on suicide prevention through self-review of suicide prevention materials. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education may develop materials to be used for such training or may offer districts materials developed by a third party.

This bill also requires public schools, charter schools, and public institutions of higher education that issue pupil identification cards to have printed on the card specific phone numbers including those for the National Suicide Prevention and the Crisis Text Line.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development  
University of Central Missouri  
University of Missouri System  
State Technical College of Missouri  
Missouri State University  
St. Charles Community College



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