

Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

Original
 Updated
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 Supplemental

LRB Number **03-2357/1**
 Introduction Number **AB-590**

Subject
 Seat belts on school buses

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate
 Increase Existing Appropriations
 Increase Existing Revenues
 Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
 Decrease Existing Appropriations
 Decrease Existing Revenues
 Yes No
 Create New Appropriations
 Decrease Costs

Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. Increase Costs
 3. Increase Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory
 2. Decrease Costs
 4. Decrease Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
 Towns Village Cities
 Counties Others
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires any school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 10,000 pounds that is manufactured on or after January 1, 2004, or on the first day of the first month beginning after publication of the act, whichever is later, and that is being used in this state to be equipped with seat belts at each designated seating position. The bill also permits a school board to adopt a rule requiring the use of seat belts or child safety restraint systems by pupils or children being transported by a school bus. This requirement applies only to those school buses that are required to be equipped with seat belts by the provision created by this bill.

This bill has no state fiscal effect.

The cost of equipping buses with seat belts is estimated to be between \$2,000 and \$6,000 per bus, depending on the type of seat belt that the department of transportation approves. It is anticipated that bus manufacturers will pass this cost on to customers. It is unknown how many school buses will be manufactured and used by school districts after the provisions of this bill should become law. Therefore, the local fiscal effect of the bill is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications