



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DPI 1/27/2016

LRB Number	<b>15-3688/1</b>	Introduction Number	<b>AB-0692</b>	Estimate Type	<b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Teen dating violence policies and education					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires schools to provide teen dating violence prevention education and establishes certain criteria governing the instruction provided. Beginning with the 2017–18 school year, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is required to work in consultation with the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Department of Health Services (DHS), the Council on Domestic Abuse, and advocates from statewide organizations representing victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence and prepare, adopt, and make available to school districts a policy governing the prevention of and appropriate responses to teen dating violence and sexual violence. Those policies apply to the following: school grounds, at school-sponsored activities, and in vehicles used for the transportation of pupils to and from school-sponsored activities

The bill also requires the Department to incorporate teen dating violence and sexual violence curriculum into its model health curriculum. Within six months after the beginning of the 2017–18 school year, each school board must adopt either the Department's policy and curriculum or its own policy and curriculum.

Current law requires the Department to have developed a model school policy on bullying by pupils. The policy on bullying must include a definition of bullying. This bill requires the Department to periodically revise its model school policy on bullying.

#### Local: Indeterminate

Schools that choose to create their own policy and curriculum, rather than adopting the Department's model policy and curriculum, will likely incur some additional costs. Estimating costs is difficult since costs may likely vary among schools. It also is unknown how many schools would adopt the Department's model policy and curriculum or choose to adopt their own.

#### State:

The Department would need to commit staff resources to develop a model policy and model curriculum on teen dating violence and sexual violence curriculum. It is unknown if any of the specified groups the Department must consult with to develop the model policy and curriculum will cover any portion of the costs. Since the bill does not provide additional funding, the Department and/or schools would likely absorb any added costs.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications