

ORIGINAL  UPDATED  
 CORRECTED  SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB # 99s0040/2

Introduction # ASA1 to Assembly Bill 194

Admin. Rule #

**Subject**  
 Background investigations of persons hired by charter schools

**Fiscal Effect**

State:  No State Fiscal Effect  
 Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation  
 or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb  
 Within Agency's Budget  Yes  No

Increase Existing Appropriation  Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing Appropriation  Decrease Existing Revenues  
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local:  No local government costs

1.  Increase Costs  
 Permissive

3.  Increase Revenues  
 Permissive  Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:

Towns  Villages  Cities

Mandatory  
 2.  Decrease Costs  
 Permissive

4.  Decrease Revenues  
 Permissive  Mandatory

Counties  Others \_\_\_\_\_

School Districts  WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**

GPR  FED  PRO  PRS  SEG

SEG-S

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate:**

The substitute amendment requires that the state superintendent of public instruction, in cooperation with the department of Justice (DOJ) conduct background investigations on all charter school staff who are not "instructional" staff, as defined by the department by rule, but who would be required to hold a license or permit issued by the state superintendent if employed by a public school.

Currently, there are two known individuals who would be investigated under this bill, at a minimal cost and associated staff time. However, it is assumed that this bill will apply only to newly-hired individuals. Therefore, the department will not incur any costs until charter schools hire new employees who are not "instructional" staff, but who would be required to be licensed by the state superintendent if employed in a public school. It is unknown how many more individuals would be required to be investigated as the charter school program expands, but these costs are expected to be minimal and absorbed within the agency's budget.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications:**

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