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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Beginning in the 2017–18 school year, this bill requires public high schools and private high schools participating in a parental choice program to collect statistics on specific crimes and safety–related incidents reported to a principal, school security, or local law enforcement that occur on school property, on transportation provided by the school, or at a school sanctioned event.

The bill further requires that these statistics be reported to the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and included on the annual school and school district accountability report.

Finally, the bill clarifies that DPI may not consider crimes statistics reported by a school or school district for purposes of determining a school or school district's performance on the annual school and school district accountability report.

Local

It is anticipated that schools will incur additional costs to collect, maintain, and report all statistics of crime incidents taking place in schools or on school property during both regular and non-school hours. Estimating costs is difficult since it will likely vary from school to school. Furthermore, it uncertain how much of that reportable crime data might be collected by local law enforcement versus schools, particularly off site or during non-school hours. For those reasons, the costs are indeterminate.

State

The Department would need to commit staff resources to develop a new reporting system that incorporates the uniform crime reporting system of the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ). Under this bill, DOJ is directed to cooperate with DPI to develop that reporting system. It is unknown at this time how the two agencies will coordinate efforts to develop the reporting system, and if any of the related costs might be shared between the agencies. Presumably, additional staff resources for this purpose would be absorbed by the Department, as the bill does not appropriate additional funds.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications