



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 190

PRINTER'S NO. 318

PRIME SPONSOR: Ortityay

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2024/25	FY 2025/26
General Fund	See fiscal impact	See fiscal impact

### SUMMARY:

House Bill 190 provides for eating disorder awareness and education.

### ANALYSIS:

House Bill 190 creates a new section within Article XIV – School Health Services – of the Public School Code that requires school entities, which are defined as a school district, area career and technical school, charter school, cyber charter school, regional charter school, intermediate unit, or nonpublic school, to annually provide parents and guardians of students in grades 6-12 and key school personnel with educational information about eating disorders via email, first class mail, or the school entity's website.

The educational information provided to parents, guardians, and other key school personnel must be consistent with the materials and recommendations developed by the Department of Health (DOH) in conjunction with the Department of Education (PDE). The educational materials and recommendations will be developed with input from the Eating Disorders Advisory Committee; be posted PDE's public website in a variety of languages; explain the importance of eating disorder prevention education; and list warning signs, risk factors, and resources about eating disorders.

The Eating Disorders Advisory Committee will be established by the Secretary of Education within 60 days of the effective date. The Advisory Committee will meet twice per school year during the first year after the establishment of the Advisory Committee, and one time per school year in subsequent years. The Secretary, who may have a designee, shall serve as the chair of the Committee and shall appoint other Committee members from specialized organizations. Members of the Advisory Committee will serve without compensation.

This act would take effect in 30 days.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 190 will have a minimal fiscal impact on commonwealth funds. The Departments of Health and Education indicated that they do not anticipate needing additional staff to provide administrative, information technology, or program support to the Eating Disorders Advisory Committee. The new requirements in House Bill 190 will involve staff hours, but that work can be supported by existing appropriations.

The fiscal impact to a school entity is likely to be minimal and will largely depend upon the communication medium by which the school entity chooses to annually provide the educational materials to parents, guardians, and key school personnel.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*