

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1867

PRINTERS NO. 2112

PRIME SPONSOR: Boback

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1867 amends the Public School Code concerning military-connected students. It would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1867 amends the Public School Code by adding a new article, Article XIII-F, concerning military-connected students. A military-connected student is a student who is the dependent of either an individual in the active military service of the United States, or in a full-time status during active service with a force of the Pennsylvania National Guard.

The new article requires Department of Education to designate a school as a Purple-Star School if the school applies and qualifies for the designation. To qualify, a school must:

- Designate a staff member as a military liaison, the duties of which are outlined in the bill.
- Maintain on the school district's website resources for military-connected students and their families as listed in the legislation.
- Maintain a transition program led by students, if appropriate, which assists military-connected students in transitioning into the school.
- Offer professional development for staff on issues related to military-connected students.
- Offer at least one of the following initiatives: a resolution showing support for militaryconnected students and their families; recognition of the Month of the Military Child or Military Family Month with relevant events hosted by the school; or a partnership with a local military installation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds, and the participation of school districts is optional so it will not impose any mandates on districts.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: February 7, 2022

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