

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB547

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Walker

3. **Committee:** Education

4. **Title:** Internet Safety Advisory Council; school boards; Internet safety education program.

5. **Summary:** Extends from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2025, the sunset date for the Internet Safety Advisory Council. The bill requires each school board, after considering the model policy, instructional practices, curricula, and other teacher resources that are developed, recommended, or designed by the Internet Safety Advisory Council, to adopt policies (i) requiring all elementary and secondary schools in the local school division to provide an Internet safety education program to each student in grades three through 12 at least once each school year but (ii) permitting the parent of any such student to opt his child out of participating in such program.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from this bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Internet Safety Advisory Council, local school divisions, Department of Education

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** None