

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 181 of the 130th G.A. **Date**: November 12, 2013

Status: As Introduced Sponsor: Rep. Brenner

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Prohibits submission of a student's personally identifiable information to the federal government

without direct authorization of the local school board

State Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill prohibits public schools from submitting, without consent, personally identifiable information of any student to the federal government unless the school's governing board has adopted a resolution approving the submission. The bill also prohibits the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) from requiring public schools to submit such data to the federal government. Even so, the bill requires public schools to comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), which controls the release of student education records. Although the adoption of a resolution by a school's governing board may increase the administrative burden of the board, it is unlikely that many resolutions will need to be adopted, if any. This is because student-level data typically is aggregated before being sent to the federal government or such data is provided in accordance with existing FERPA exceptions, which are allowed under the bill. Therefore, there appears to be no direct fiscal effect on the state or school districts as a result of this bill.

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