

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1852 – SB 2001

February 20, 2016

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Establishes a 2.5 year pilot program known as the Governor’s Three Star Physical Education and Literacy Program beginning in the fall of 2016.

The program shall be operated by the Department of Education’s (DOE) Office of Coordinated School Health. Eighteen elementary schools will participate in the pilot, with nine schools being a control group and nine schools being the experimental group. Three schools from each Grand Division will be chosen to participate in each group. Requires only students in grades three, four, and five, to participate in the program.

Limits the overall cost of the pilot program to \$1,500,000 over the 2.5 year period. Sets forth the requirements in order for schools to be eligible to participate. Requires schools that wish to participate to submit an application to the DOE. Sets forth the criteria that the DOE shall use in selecting participating schools. Requires each school in the experimental group to receive an annual grant of \$10,000 and to coordinate with the DOE to collect specific health information for each participating student. Requires the Office of Coordinated School Health to employ a coordinator for the pilot program. Authorizes the coordinator to employ additional staff as necessary. Sets forth the duties of the program coordinator which includes creating assessments that shall be given to each participating student at the beginning and end of each academic year. At the end of the program, the school with the most growth as based on students’ growth in academics, physical fitness, and foundational skills of physical literacy shall receive the Governor’s award.

Requires all information collected through the pilot program to comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Requires the Comptroller’s Office of Research and Education Accountability (OREA) to study the pilot program and make a report to the Education Committees of the General Assembly at the end of the program’s initial year and at the end of the 2.5 year period. Dependent upon the outcome of the studies that are performed, the Department is authorized to continue the pilot program for an additional two years, pending appropriations.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$600,000/FY16-17  
\$600,000/FY17-18  
\$300,000/FY18-19

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**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012558):** Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the only substantive changes are to rename the bill the “Tom Cronan Physical Education Act” and to revise the criteria that the Department of Education shall use to select the schools for the pilot program.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

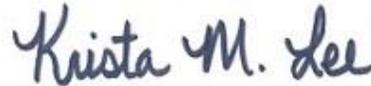
**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The pilot program will be appropriated a cumulative total of \$1,500,000 over the life of the program beginning in FY16-17 and running through FY18-19.
- It is assumed that appropriations will be made as follows: \$600,000 in FY16-17; \$600,000 in FY17-18; and \$300,000 in FY18-19 (since the pilot program will be in effect from July 1, 2018 until December 31, 2018).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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