

HF9036 - 0 - School Safety Reporting and Grants Established

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 Lead Agency: **Public Safety Dept**
 Other Agencies:
 Education Department

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology	X	
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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State Total						
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Biennial Total			112			10

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
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General Fund	-	.1	.05	.05	.05
Total	-	.1	.05	.05	.05

Lead LBO Analyst's Comment

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Bill Description

The bill amends Minn. Stat. 121A.038, 121A.06 and 299C.055. The bill requires school districts to report to the Minnesota Fusion Center (MNFC) on certain incidents and threats. The bill provides a blank, one-time appropriation, which is available until June 30, 2028, for the Department of Public Safety’s Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) division to award anonymous threat reporting system grants to school districts, charter schools or cooperative units. The department may return up to 10 percent for administration. Annual reporting is required by Feb. 15 each year after grants have been awarded.

Assumptions

The amount of FTE staffing would be relative to the size of the grants appropriated. The department assumes the costs to oversee grants would be 10 percent any amount appropriated. No action is required by the HSEM or the department related to the bill’s reporting requirements, therefore it has no fiscal impact.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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Bill Description

Section 1 modifies the annual violence prevention training requirements a school district or charter school that conducts an active shooter drill must provide to students in middle school or high school. The additional training requirements include providing information about the Department of Public Safety’s statewide anonymous threat reporting system and any local threat reporting systems.

Section 2 defines “active shooter incident” as an event involving an armed individual or individuals on campus or an armed assailant in the immediate vicinity of the school, and “active shooter threat” as a real or perceived threat that an active shooter incident will occur. It requires school districts to electronically report to the Commissioner of Education and the Minnesota Fusion Center shooter incidents and active shooter threats.

Section 3 modifies the annual report on the Minnesota Fusion Center required by the Superintendent of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension within the Department of Public Safety by adding additional reporting requirements.

Section 4 appropriates a blank amount in fiscal year 2026 from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in consultation with the Minnesota School Safety Center, to issue school violence prevention and physical security enhancements grants to school districts and charter schools. It requires the Minnesota School Safety Center, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Department of Public Safety to annually report to the legislature the grant recipients, grant amounts, and how the grant funds were used.

Assumptions

All the assumptions for this fiscal note are from section two of this bill. Section two creates new electronic reporting requirements that schools must submit to MDE related to active shooter incidents and active shooter threats. It is assumed that DIRS, the current data collection system that MDE uses, will require new data elements or modifications to existing data elements which will require MNIT services.

It is assumed that the Data Practices and Analytics Division at MDE will need to increase communication and training to inform and assist LEA’s with the additional reporting requirements. This will require a .05 State Program Administrator Coordinator in FY 2026 to advise and collaborate with MNIT, which may include consultation, planning, user testing, project management and updating technical documentation. In addition, for FY 2026 and later, an .05 FTE Office & Administrator Specialist Intermediate will be required to assist with an increase in data quality reviews and data requests, provide district support and troubleshooting, and update user documentation.

If it is determined that the Minnesota Fusion Center and MDE need to coordinate data collection and specifications, there could be additional DIRS technical changes and costs and communication or training needs above what is listed in this fiscal note.

MNIT will need to modify the DIRS application and database. This will be a onetime cost in FY 2026.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

HF9036 (in \$000's)	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
.05 FTE State Program Admin Coord.	\$8,507			
.05 FTE Office & Admin Spec Int.	\$5,168	\$5,171	\$5,171	\$5,171
MNIT Costs	\$93,559			
Total Costs	\$107,234	\$5,171	\$5,171	\$5,171

MNIT Costs:

Task Description	Development Effort (hours)		
Program Management	24		
Business Analysis	12		
Interface and Database Development	600		
Reporting Development	10		
Database Administration	2		
Quality Assurance Testing	140		
TOTAL HOURS	788.00		
Resource Description	Work Estimate (weeks)	FTE	Work Estimate (hours)
Project Manager		1.00	24
Business Analysis		1.00	12
Interface and Database Development		2.00	600
Reporting Development		2.00	10
Database Administrator		2.00	2
Quality Assurance Tester		1.00	140
TOTAL	0	9.00	788
Blended rate	118.73		

Cost Estimate			
Year 1 Implementation	\$93,559.24		
Year 2 Support			
TOTAL	\$93,559.24		

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Administrative staff costs will be ongoing.

Local Fiscal Impact

School districts and charter schools may see a small cost in staff time for adding the additional active shooter drill annual training requirements and for electronically reporting shooter incidents and active shooter threats. These cost are unknown and will vary by LEA.

References/Sources

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