



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: [H.B. 462 of the 129th G.A.](#)

Date: April 17, 2012

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Rep. Pelanda

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Requires the release of student records under certain conditions

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- A school district may have a reduced ability to collect certain charges owed to the district by students for whom a complaint has been filed alleging that the student is an abused, neglected, or dependent child.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

Under current law, a school district has the authority to withhold a student's grades and credits, if the student has failed to pay certain fees and charges owed to the district.¹ The bill provides an exception to this authority, under certain conditions, when a complaint has been filed alleging that the student is an abused, neglected, or dependent child. As the bill takes away, in certain cases, one of a district's tools to enforce the payment of these fees and charges, the bill may result in less money being collected by the district. This cost, however, is not likely to be significant.

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¹ As one example, suppose a student loses a textbook provided by the district and the district charges the student for the loss. If the student moves to another district, the first district may refuse to provide the student's academic records to the new district until the student has paid the charge.