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Requires mandatory reporting of school threats and provides for physical security school assessments for K-12 schools. (8/1/26)

Proposed legislation updates school safety requirements and establishes a statewide physical security assessment process for public elementary and secondary schools. The measure requires school employees to report threats of violence or terrorism to local law enforcement and school administrators and requires local law enforcement agencies to report certain threat information to the Louisiana Fusion Center for data collection and threat analysis purposes.

Proposed legislation authorizes public schools to request physical security school assessments from the Fusion Center, subject to available funding, personnel, and resources. Nonpublic and charter schools may also request such assessments. The Fusion Center may provide written reports identifying security vulnerabilities and nonbinding options for consideration to school principals and emergency response coordinators. Proposed legislation further provides confidentiality and liability protections related to assessments, establishes that substantial compliance with assessment recommendations may create a rebuttable presumption of reasonable care, and prioritizes school security grant funding for schools seeking to implement security enhancements identified through such assessments.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed legislation authorizes the Louisiana Fusion Center to conduct physical security school assessments upon request by public, nonpublic, and charter schools, subject to the availability of funding, personnel, and resources. As a result, any increase in SGF expenditures associated with conducting assessments is anticipated to depend on participation levels and available capacity.

For informational purposes, the Louisiana State Police (LSP) estimates that, at full statewide utilization (approximately 1,327 public school campuses assessed on a three-year rotation, or approximately 440 to 450 assessments annually), annual expenditures could approach approximately \$1.7 M. According to LSP, these expenditures would include approximately \$1.3 M in personal services for 10 additional positions, approximately \$350,000 in operating and travel expenditures, and approximately \$29,000 in one-time equipment expenditures.

Assessments are to be provided at no cost to schools; however, local governing authorities may incur discretionary expenditures associated with implementing recommended security enhancements. Proposed legislation further authorizes schools to seek grant funding for improvements identified through assessments and prioritizes such funding for schools implementing recommended enhancements. To the extent participation increases demand for school safety grant funding, state expenditures may increase; however, any such impact is indeterminable.

The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) indicates that implementation costs associated with addressing identified vulnerabilities could range from approximately \$25,000 to \$250,000 per school. GOHSEP further indicates that increased demand for school safety grants could require additional staffing and related expenditures; however, because participation in the assessment process and implementation of recommendations are permissive, the LFO cannot independently verify the extent to which such expenditures would be realized.

Note: If enacted, HB 821 of the 2026 RS would transfer the Louisiana Center for Safe Schools, including associated school safety grant programs, from GOHSEP to the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE).

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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