

February 16, 2026

The Honorable Susan Estes, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 218-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Estes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2673 by House Committee on K-12 Education Budget

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2673 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2673 would create the Positive Learning Environment Act. The bill would provide the following rights to teachers:

1. Appropriately discipline students in accordance with policies adopted by the school district and any approved classroom management plan;
2. Remove any persistently disruptive student from a classroom when the student's behavior prevents the orderly instruction of students or the student displays impudent behavior and place the student in the custody of the principal for further disciplinary action;
3. Have the professional judgement and discretion respected by the school's administrators in any disciplinary action taken by the teacher in accordance with approved policies;
4. Teach in a safe, secure, and orderly environment that is conducive to learning and free from recognized dangers that are likely to cause serious injury;
5. Be treated with civility and respect;
6. Communicate with and request the participation of parents in appropriate student disciplinary actions;
7. Receive appropriate leadership and support from school administrators; and
8. Be afforded time during the school day or week to collaborate with other teachers.

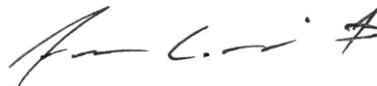
The local board of education would be required to give the Act to all teachers at the beginning of the school year and post a copy in every school and administrative building. The local board of education would provide a copy to any student's parent or guardian, as well as post a copy to the school district's website.

The local board of education would be required to adopt a school management plan that would outline expected student behavior and response to student misconduct. The bill would outline the content of the plan. All students, as well as parents or guardians, would be given a copy of the plan during the first week of school. The plan would be required to be reviewed annually and revised as necessary.

The Department of Education indicates the enactment of HB 2673 would have no fiscal effect on state aid to school districts or on the agency's operations. The Department notes that school districts may incur costs related to updating policies and procedures; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Kansas Association of School Boards reports that school districts would require administrative time to defend actions in due process hearings and other actions that could be filed against school districts. However, a fiscal effect was not estimated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Gabrielle Hull, Department of Education
Angie Stallbaumer, Kansas Association of School Boards