## **BILL SUMMARY**

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## **Research Analysis**

The engrossed version of SB1138 modifies the Bullying Prevention Act. The measure:

- Requires school districts to annually update their policy on investigating incidents of bullying;
- Requires anonymous reports of bullying to be investigated in the same manner as other reports;
- Requires anyone who reports an incident of bullying in good faith to be immune from a cause of action for damages arising out of the reporting;
- Requires schools to notify parents of both the perpetrator and victim of bullying within 24 hours of an incident;
- Requires school resource officers to receive training on bullying;
- Prohibits retaliation against a school employee who notifies the district board of education or State Department of Education of noncompliance with a bullying policy;
- Requires the superintendent of a district to make a presentation to the district board once a semester on the district's bullying prevention activities and reported incidents of bullying.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

As written, the measure is not anticipated to result in a negative impact on state budget or appropriations.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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