

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB36
Version:	FA1
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Research Analysis

The floor amendment to SB 36 prohibits school chaplains from any religious activities or proselytizing during school hours.

SB 36, as amended, allows a school district to employ or accept volunteer services from a chaplain. The chaplain is not required to have a teaching certificate. Chaplains may not be convicted sex offenders or defendants in a sex offender-related case. Chaplains are also prohibited from any religious activities or proselytizing during school hours.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure permits school districts to employ or accept volunteer chaplains. In its current form, SB36 is not anticipated to have an impact on state budget or appropriations.

The FA1 to the measure prohibits chaplains that are employed or volunteering with a school district from any religious activities or proselytizing during school hours. This does not create fiscal impact.

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Other Considerations

None.