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Bill No.: Version: Request Number: Author: Date: Impact: HB 1276 POLPCS1 12384 Rep. Caldwell, Chad 2/7/2025 No Impact

Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB 1276 requires school boards to adopt policies prohibiting cell phone and smartwatch use on campus before the start of next school year. The policies must include a provision for emergency use. School Boards may choose to allow cell phone use, but must revisit such decision annually.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure as currently written is not anticipated to result in a negative fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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