BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB 1417
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Impact: Creates Revolving Fund;
No Impact

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 1417 requires the State Department of Education to provide schools with grants for purchasing or maintaining interoperable communication equipment used during emergency response situations. Schools can also use the grants for response training.

The measure also creates a 7-member committee to review and approve school districts' grant applications. The measure lists the requirements for the committee and the applications. Schools are required to have MOUs with their regional public safety answering point and local law enforcement agency to be able to apply for the grant.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure as currently written establishes the School Access for Emergency Response Revolving Fund for the purpose of providing grants to school districts for purchasing certain communications equipment. Any appropriations to the fund are subject to the availability of funding. Expenditures from the fund are not to exceed \$5 million per year.

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Other Considerations

None.

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