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Senate Bill 983 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Marty Knollenberg
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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised School Code to do the following:

- Require a school district, intermediate school district (ISD), or public school academy (PSA), by January 1, 2020, to develop an emergency operations plan for each school building it operated.
- Specify items that an emergency operations plan would have to address, including threats of school violence and attacks, an active violence protocol, and a vulnerability assessment.
- Provide that a district or PSA would be in compliance with the requirement to develop an emergency operations plan if it adopted a statewide school safety information policy.
- Require a school district, ISD, or PSA to review the emergency operations plan, or the statewide school safety information policy, as applicable, in conjunction with at least one law enforcement agency, beginning in the 2019-2020 school year and then biennially.
- Require the Department of Education to provide to the Office of School Safety within the Michigan State Police a list of each school district, ISD, or PSA that had not developed an emergency operations plan.
- Require the Office of School Safety to coordinate with a law enforcement agency to notify the governing body of a school district, ISD, or PSA that it had not developed and adopted an emergency operations plan.

Proposed MCL 380.1308a

Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal, indeterminate impact on the Department of Education, intermediate school districts, school districts, public school academies, and local law enforcement units. The Department would have annual costs associated with tracking and reporting on each ISD, school district, and PSA that did not develop an emergency operations plan. Since these local units would have to report to the Department after adopting a plan, the Department would have to track only the units that did not report, which would limit the overall costs.

School districts, ISDs, PSAs, and local law enforcement units would experience various costs from biennially conducting vulnerability assessments and developing emergency operations plans. Costs would vary depending on how many districts and PSAs currently have emergency operations plans, how many conduct vulnerability assessments, how many school buildings are in a district, and whether those assessments are conducted biennially.

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