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**To:** Ways and Means Full Committee

**From:** Education Subcommittee

**Re:** HB 2992 Relating to criminal records checks for schools

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**Senator Thomsen:** “HB 2992 requires public school districts or public charter schools, and permits private schools, to adopt and implement a policy to require volunteers who have direct, unsupervised contact with school children, to undergo a background check. The bill also expands existing school volunteer and employment background check law to permit the option of a nationwide criminal records check conducted the Department of Education.

The fiscal impact to school districts is anticipated to be minimal and \$442,500 in Other Funds expenditure limitation will be included in the ODE budget to account for the potential increase in criminal background checks conducted by the agency.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 2992 be amended by the –A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.”