

**Bill Summary**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 1253</b>
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1253 creates the Health Education Act. The measure directs the State Department of Education to develop a micro-credential for teachers teaching health education and professional development programs no later than the 2021-2022 school year. No later than the 2022-2023 school year, school districts must provide instruction addressing all health education subject matter standards adopted by the State Board of Education at least once in the grade spans of pre-kindergarten through second grade, third through fifth grade, sixth through eighth grade and ninth through twelfth grade. Subject matter standards for health and physical education shall include physical, emotional, social, and intellectual health. Health education may be integrated into one or more existing subjects

Teachers assigned to teach health education as a stand-alone course must be certified in physical and health education. The measure also directs the State Textbook Committee to include a review of health and physical education instructional materials as part of its textbook review and adoption cycle. School districts must also consult with the Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee to implement the provisions of the measure.

The measure creates the “Health Education Revolving Fund,” which shall consist of appropriations, gifts, donations and bequests.

Prepared by: Kalen Taylor

**Fiscal Analysis**

FY’21 Impact: Minimal

Full Year Impact: Minimal

To meet the requirements of this bill, SDE expects there will be little to no cost both at the state level and for the districts. SDE believes it can use its current resources and collaborate with other health agencies to develop the micro credential and professional development programs. In addition, it will explore other funding opportunities to support implementation of the program. The bill gives school districts flexibility in providing health education instruction and therefore may not incur any significant additional costs.

Prepared by: State Department of Education