

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 799
Version:	FULLPCS1
Request Number:	13498
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Impact:	No Impact

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for SB 799 modifies statute regarding digital communication between students and school personnel. The measure clarifies which students school personnel are prohibited from digitally communicating with. The measure defines *student* as a person enrolled in a public school who does not have a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma.

Further, students who don't have a legal guardian on file with the school may include an alternate adult in their electronic communication with school staff in lieu of a parent or guardian. The *alternate adult* must be a case manager, designated employee of the student's homeless shelter, or a continuum of care lead agency assigned to the student.

Before an alternate adult can be included in the child's electronic communication, they must file written verification that the student is homeless. They must also promptly notify the school if they are no longer assigned to the student, or the student no longer meets the definition of homeless.

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Fiscal Analysis

As written, the FULLPCS1 version of the measure is not anticipated to result in a negative fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.