

Senate Fiscal Summary
1st Session of the 60th Legislature



House Bill 1601

Version:	ENGR
Agency:	SDE
Senate Author:	Mann
House Author:	Gise
FY'26 Impact:	\$0
Full Year Impact:	\$0

**Bill Summary and
Fiscal Analysis:**

This bill creates the “Advancing Rights for Caregiving, Health, and Extended Recovery (Maternity Leave Protection for Teachers) Act”, or the ARCHER Act. It allows eligible school employees to use accrued sick leave to extend the duration of maternity leave beyond six weeks. It prohibits use of such leave from being subject to approval from a school board or employer as long as the employee has sufficient sick leave to cover the extended duration; however, individuals seeking to use sick leave must provide a written certification recommending additional leave from a licensed medical professional.

This bill has no fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact provided by the State Department of Education.