



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 284

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 535

Senate, March 29, 2004

The Committee on Education reported through SEN. GAFFEY of the 13th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION IN CASES OF TERMINATION OF COACHES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) Any local or regional board
2 of education that contracts with a person to coach student athletes or
3 hires a person to coach student athletes for a sport season and decides
4 not to renew such contract or rehire such person, shall notify the
5 person of such decision no later than thirty days after the expiration of
6 such contract or the end of the season for which the person was hired.
7 Such person may request a written statement from the board
8 specifying the reason such person's contract was not renewed or such
9 person was not rehired. Such statement shall be provided no later than
10 thirty days after such request.

This act shall take effect as follows:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
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ED *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Education, Dept. – Vocational-Technical Schools	GF - Cost	Minimal	Minimal

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Local and Regional School Districts	Cost	Minimal	Minimal

Explanation

This bill would result in a potential minimal cost to the state’s vocational-technical schools and local and regional school districts. Such costs would be due to notification requirements due to contract non-renewals or decisions not to rehire a coach. Such costs would be accommodated in existing postage expenditures.

OLR Bill Analysis

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TERMINATION OF COACHES**

SUMMARY:

This bill requires boards of education that decide not to rehire or renew the contract of an athletic coach to notify the coach no later than 30 days after the end of the contract or season for which the coach was hired. It also requires boards to provide a written explanation of their decision at the request of the coach within 30 days.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2004

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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