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Safe Schools Levy and Revenue			
Overall Safe Schools Appropriation	FY 2018-2019: \$20.256 million FY 2020-2021: \$41.170 million	FY 2018-2019: \$19.814 million FY 2020-2021: \$10.922 million	FY 2018-2019: \$19.814 million FY 2020-2021: \$10.922 million Additional Levy Investment: FY 2020 (Pay 2019): \$39.497 million FY 2021 (Pay 2020): \$39.703 million
Safe Schools Levy	FY 2020: equalizes the existing safe school levy of \$36 per pupil unit. Sets the equalizing factor equal to 68.5 percent of the statewide adjusted net tax capacity per pupil unit.	Maintains the current safe schools levy amounts (\$36 for school districts and \$15 for districts that are a member of intermediate school district). Safe Schools levy for cooperatives and intermediate districts must be allocated and transferred to the intermediate or cooperative unit. Clarifies the allowable uses under safe schools revenue use.	FY 2020: Establishes an equalized levy of \$72 per adjusted pupil for districts with a minimum of \$30,000 for small school districts, \$36 per pupil for charters schools, \$30 per adjusted pupil for members of intermediate school districts, and \$15 per pupil for members of other cooperative units. Equalizes the safe schools levy with an equalizing factor of 60 percent of the statewide average tax base per pupil unit.
Safe Schools Aid	FY 2019 and later: the safe schools aid for a school district is \$18 per adjusted pupil and \$7.50 per pupil for districts that are members of cooperatives other than intermediates. One-time aid in FY 2019 of \$6.50 per adjusted pupil unit for school district members of an intermediate school district. Minimum revenue is \$30,000.	FY 2019 Only: Additional \$19.88 per adjusted pupil unit and \$7.50 per adjusted pupil unit for cooperative units. FY 2020: Safe Schools Aid for a district is \$3.65 per adjusted pupil and sets a minimum revenue for each school district at \$25,000.	FY 2019: the safe schools revenue for a school district is \$18 per adjusted pupil and sets a minimum revenue for each school district at \$22,500 and \$7.50 per adjusted pupil for school district that are members of intermediate districts or other cooperatives.
Safe Schools Authorized Use of Funding	Allows a school district to transfer its safe schools revenue into the debt redemption fund so that certain school safety physical improvements can be made through local bonding.	Adds allowable uses of safe schools revenue: to purchase equipment, connection charges, set-up fees, and site fees in order to deliver mental health services via telemedicine in schools, enhancing cyber security in a district's information systems; or through a board	Beginning July 1, 2018, through a board authorization, authorizes schools to transfer safe schools money from the general fund to the debt redemption fund to pay for the share of any bonds that were used to pay for facility security enhancements.



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		<p>authorization, authorizes schools to transfer safe schools money from the general fund to the debt redemption fund to pay for the share of any bonds that were used to pay for facility security enhancements.</p> <p>Prohibits safe schools aid for districts and charters from being used to pay for costs associated with school climate.</p>	
Long-term Facilities Maintenance Revenue	<p>Authorizes a school district to amend its ten-year facilities plan to include provisions enhancing school safety through security modifications to the building, including remodeling and new construction. Allows LTFMR to be used to purchase equipment designed to improve school security. The statewide levy impact is \$1.5 million in Pay 2019 and is offset by the equalization of the safe schools levy. HF 3320: Loon/SF 3229: Anderson, P</p>	Not included.	Not included.
Equipment Purchases	Includes MDE language.	Includes MDE language.	<p>Clarification that school districts may issue bonds backed by operating capital revenue for certain equipment purchases. Adds equipment to include public announcement systems, emergency equipment related to violence prevention and facility security.</p> <p>Expands allowable equipment purchases to include communications systems and other equipment designed to increase student and staff security.</p>



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Reports Required	Requires a school district to or charter school receiving safe schools revenue to annually report on their safe school expenditures. The report must include spending by functional areas, include any new staff positions hired, and align with the allowable revenue uses.	Requires the Commissioner of Education to report to the legislature by January 15 of each year with a report detailing district-level expenditures of safe school revenue for the prior fiscal year.	Not included.
School-Linked Mental Health Grants	\$5 million each year for school-linked mental health grants. Grants must be used to expand services to school districts or counties in which school-linked mental health services are not available and to fund transportation costs when school is not in session. HF 1255: Loon/SF 768: Clausen	The Senate Finance Bill (Human Services area) includes \$4.467 million for school-linked mental health grants each year. Makes changes to eligible applicants for school-linked mental health services grants. Allows grants to include transportation for children receiving school-linked mental health services when school is not in session, and may be used to purchase equipment, connection charges, set-up fees, and site fees in order to deliver school-linked mental health services via telemedicine. SF 3679: Rosen/HF 4198: Bennett	\$5 million each year for school-linked mental health grants are included in the Governor's Health and Human Services supplemental budget recommendation.
Physical Security Audit Grants for Public Schools	\$2 million for FY 2019 Grants for audit of physical security. HF 3885: Christensen/SF 3068: Ruud	The Senate Finance bill (Public Safety area) includes \$1 million in FY 2019 for reimbursement grants to public school districts that contract for audits of the physical security of public school campuses.	Not included.
School Resource Officer Grants	\$400,000 for FY 2019 up to one-half the costs of school resource officer training.	Not included.	Not included.
Threat	\$300,000 for FY 2019 for training	Not included.	Not included.



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Assessment Grants	members of the threat assessment teams and oversight committees.		
School Bus Safety	\$50,000 in FY 2019 for a grant to the Commissioner of Public Safety for a school bus safety campaign. No bill information.	Not included.	Not included.
Suicide Prevention Training for Teachers	Included. \$273,000 for FY 2019	\$273,000 for FY 2019 Kognito grant to offer evidence-based online training for teachers on suicide prevention. SF 2774: Nelson/HF 3167: Anselmo	Not included.
Jake's Foundation Grant	\$350,000 for FY 2019 for evidence-based substance misuse prevention. Report to legislature required. HF 3361: Kunesh-Podein/SF 3255: Eaton	Not included.	Not included.
School Threat Assessments	Requires a school board to adopt a policy to establish threat assessment teams consistent with district policies on student bullying and crisis management and with guidance from the school safety center. Requires policy to include procedures for referrals to community mental health centers or health care providers for evaluation or treatment. Requires a superintendent to establish a threat assessment team for each school. Requires threat assessment team to report determination that a student poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others to the	Not included.	Included in the Governor/MDE Policy Bill/HF 3315 /SF 3086. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creates a school threat assessment. A school threat assessment is a fact-based process that helps schools evaluate and assess potentially threatening pupils or situations. Requires school threat assessments examining a pupil's underlying issues that led to the expulsion, exclusion, or pupil withdrawal agreement. Requires transfers of pupil's educational records to include any school threat assessment records. Included in Amendment A18-0588 adopted in House Education Innovation Policy



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	<p>superintendent or superintendent's designee, who must immediately attempt to notify the student's parent or legal guardian. Requires threat assessment team to consider services for student.</p> <p>HF 4299: Franke/SF 3962: Bigham</p>		Committee.
Disciplinary Policies and Practices	<p>Expulsions: Requires a school board to expel a student who threatens gun violence or intends to cause evacuation for at least one year. Allows board to modify the expulsion on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>Schools must consider, where appropriate, using nonexclusionary disciplinary policies and practices before dismissal proceedings or pupil withdrawal agreements. Establishes policies and practices associated with alternative education, parent notification, eligibility for mental health services, and readmission.</p> <p>Requires school boards to report a physical assault of a district employee through electronic reporting system and include a statement on nonexclusionary disciplinary policies and practices</p>	Nonexclusionary policy included in the Senate Policy Bill/SF 3086: Pratt.	Nonexclusionary policy included in the Governor/MDE Policy Bill/HF 3315 /SF 3086.



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	<p>given the pupil.</p> <p>Makes changes to grounds for removal from class: changes the notification and meeting with parents to discuss the problem that is causing the pupil to be removed for pupils who have been removed from class more than five times in one school year (previously ten).</p>		
Full-Service Community Schools	<p>For fiscal year 2020 and later, the annual base budget for full-service community schools is \$2,000,000. This amount must be designated and used for school support staff providing services to students attending full-service community schools. School support staff under this section includes mental health professionals, licensed school counselors, licensed school psychologists, licensed school nurses, and licensed alcohol and chemical dependency counselors.</p>	Not included.	Not included.