



**Fiscal Note**  
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 School Security Personnel Standards  
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**General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds**

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$(149,600)	\$(2,000)	\$(151,600)

**State Government**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0

Enactment of this legislation likely will not materially impact state revenue.

Expenditures	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
General Fund	\$0	\$(54,500)	\$(54,500)
Income Tax Fund	\$0	\$204,100	\$204,100
Income Tax Fund, One-time	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$2,000	\$149,600	\$149,600

Enactment of this legislation could reduce costs for the Department of Public Safety by \$54,500 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2027 for school guardian stipends. Additionally, this legislation could increase costs for the Utah State Board of Education by \$204,100 ongoing beginning in FY 2027 and \$2,000 one-time in FY 2026 from the Income Tax Fund for school guardian stipends, data analysis of visitor management protocols, and panic alert devices for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<b>Net All Funds</b>	<b>\$(2,000)</b>	<b>\$(149,600)</b>	<b>\$(149,600)</b>

**Local Government**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could cost local education agencies (LEAs) \$266,000 one-time in FY 2026 from School Safety and Support Grant Program funds or unrestricted funds for additional mandatory panic alert devices. To the extent LEAs do not have required visitor management protocols in place, this legislation could also cost LEAs an unknown amount in aggregate one-time in FY 2027, such as personnel costs for drafting procedures, visitor badges, signage, and technology services to address any noncompliance in existing technology systems. Additionally, this legislation could cost LEAs an unknown amount ongoing beginning in FY 2027 for staff training, needs assessment, and annual reporting related to visitor management protocols, which can be absorbed by existing personnel services.

**Individuals & Businesses**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

**Regulatory Impact**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

**Performance Evaluation**

JR1-4-601

This bill does not create a new program or significantly expand an existing program.

**Notes on Notes**

Fiscal explanations estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal explanation is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.