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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Introduced

Primary Sponsors: Reps. King and M. Miller

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- The bill appropriates \$25 million in FY 2026 for the Ohio Department of Public Safety as part of a pilot program to distribute grants to public and chartered nonpublic schools to purchase panic alert systems or contract for artificial intelligence firearm detection software.

Detailed Analysis

The bill creates a pilot program for the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to distribute grants to public and chartered nonpublic schools to purchase panic alert systems or contract for artificial intelligence firearm detection software. There are a total of 609 traditional school districts (with over 3,000 buildings); 349 community and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) schools; 49 joint vocational districts (with approximately 70 buildings); and 747 chartered nonpublic schools statewide. The bill appropriates \$25 million in FY 2026 for the pilot program via GRF appropriation item 769412, Ohio School Safety Center.

Under the bill, DPS is responsible for administering the pilot program, which includes developing an application process, a method to determine grant amounts, and criteria for approving grants under the program. Additionally, the bill requires DPS to submit a report detailing the findings of the pilot program to the Governor and the General Assembly.

DPS will incur additional workload expenses in order to administer the pilot program and issue grants. Additionally, there will be one-time costs to submit a report detailing the findings of the pilot program to the Governor and the General Assembly. The report must include findings and data on program applications, grants awarded, program participation, outcomes, and information on the types of devices purchased, firearm detection software utilized, types of staff members receiving devices, cost of devices or software, including annual renewal costs where

applicable, frequency of device use, and types of accidents reported and is due by December 1, 2027. No appropriation was made for these purposes.