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The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. GASTON of the 23rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL MAPPING DATA SERVICES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) For the fiscal year ending
2 June 30, 2027, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Department of
3 Emergency Services and Public Protection may, within available
4 appropriations, administer a program to provide grants to
5 municipalities and municipal police departments for services to provide
6 school mapping data that meets the requirements described in
7 subsection (b) of this section.

8 (b) Any municipality or municipal police department may apply for
9 a grant for services to provide school mapping data for one or more
10 schools within the municipality or the municipality served by the
11 municipal police department, as applicable, provided such school
12 mapping data:

13 (1) Is compatible with software platforms used by local, state and
14 federal public safety agencies that provide emergency services to the

15 specific school for which the data is provided without requiring such
16 agencies to purchase additional software or requiring a fee to view or
17 access the data;

18 (2) Is compatible with security software platforms used by the
19 specific school for which the data is provided without requiring the local
20 or regional board of education or local, state and federal public safety
21 agencies that provide emergency services to the specific school for
22 which the data is provided to purchase additional software or pay a fee
23 to view or access the data;

24 (3) Is in a printable format and, if requested, in a digital file format
25 that can be integrated into interactive mobile platforms in use;

26 (4) Is verified for accuracy by the entity producing the data by
27 conducting a walk-through of the school buildings and grounds being
28 mapped;

29 (5) Is oriented true north;

30 (6) Includes accurate floor plans overlaid on current, verified aerial
31 imagery of the school campus;

32 (7) Contains site-specific labels that match the structure of school
33 buildings, including room labels, hallway names, external door or
34 stairwell numbers and the location of hazards, critical utility locations,
35 key boxes, automated external defibrillators and trauma kits;

36 (8) Contains site-specific labels that match the school grounds,
37 including parking areas, athletic fields, surrounding roads and
38 neighboring properties;

39 (9) Is overlaid with gridded "x" and "y" coordinates;

40 (10) Cannot be modified or updated independently without
41 corresponding updates to school mapping data within software
42 platforms used by local, state and federal public safety agencies that
43 provide emergency services to the specific school for which the data is

44 provided; and

45 (11) Will be provided to the local or regional board of education and
46 local, state and federal public safety agencies that provide emergency
47 services to the specific school for which the data is provided at no cost
48 beyond the initial cost of producing such mapping data, and shall be
49 available to such board and agencies permanently.

50 (c) Not later than October 1, 2026, the department shall develop
51 eligibility criteria, application forms and deadlines for such program
52 and post in a conspicuous location on the department's Internet web site
53 a description of the grant program that includes, but is not limited to,
54 such criteria, forms and deadlines.

55 (d) Not later than January 1, 2028, and annually thereafter, the
56 department shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of
57 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of
58 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
59 safety and security. Such report shall include information for the
60 preceding calendar year on the number of applications for grants that
61 were received, the number of grants that were awarded and a list of the
62 municipalities and municipal police departments that received services
63 for school mapping data pursuant to such grants.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2026	New section

PS *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	GF - Potential Cost	88,000	88,000
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Potential Cost	36,802	36,802
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential Cost/Savings	See Below	See Below
Various Municipal Police Departments	Potential Cost/Savings	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill results in a potential cost to the state of at least \$124,802 and a potential cost to municipalities and municipal police departments in FY 27 and FY 28, by allowing the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to administer a program to give grants to municipalities and municipal police departments for services to provide school mapping data.

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 41.82% of payroll in FY 27.

Depending on if funding is available for the grant program² and the number and complexity of applications submitted, DESPP may need to hire one Emergency Management Program Specialist, resulting in a cost \$124,802 for salary, fringe, and other expenses.

A municipality or municipal police department that chooses not to participate in the grant program will incur no fiscal impact. A municipality or municipal police department that chooses to participate will incur a cost to build school mapping data. This cost would be at least partially offset by grant funding it receives from DESPP under the bill's provisions. The net impact to municipalities and municipal police departments will depend on: (1) the per facility cost of building school mapping data; (2) the number of facilities mapped; and (3) the grant funding provided by DESPP.

The typical cost of services to provide school mapping data for one building is approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000. There are an estimated 900 to 1,100 eligible school buildings in the state.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and any funding being made available for the grant program.

²The bill does not allocate funds from any source. Historically, DESPP has received funds for similar programs from a variety of sources including appropriations, bond authorizations, and federal funds (including ARPA). If DESPP receives state funding, it is assumed to be a general fund appropriation or bond authorization.

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 375****AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL MAPPING DATA SERVICES.****SUMMARY**

Beginning with FY 27, this bill allows the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to, annually and within available appropriations, administer a program to provide grants to municipalities and municipal police departments for services to give school mapping data that satisfies the bill's requirements (see below).

By October 1, 2026, the department must create eligibility criteria for the grants, develop application forms and deadlines, and post a description of the program on DESPP's website that includes the criteria, forms, and deadlines.

The bill also requires the department, starting by January 1, 2028, to annually report on the program to the Public Safety and Security Committee. The reports must include, for the prior calendar year, the number of applications received and grants awarded and a list of the grantees.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2026

GRANT REQUIREMENTS

Under the bill, municipalities and municipal police departments may apply for a grant for one or more schools within their respective municipality if the school mapping data meets certain requirements. Specifically, when it:

1. is compatible with software platforms used by local, state, and federal public safety agencies that provide emergency services to the school (collectively "PSAs" for the purposes of this bill analysis) without requiring the agencies to buy more software or pay a fee to view or access the data;

2. is compatible with security software platforms used by the school without requiring the local or regional board of education or PSAs to buy more software or pay a fee to view or access the data;
3. is in a printable format and, if requested, in a digital file format that can be integrated into existing interactive mobile platforms;
4. is verified for accuracy by the entity producing the data through a walk-through of the school buildings and grounds being mapped;
5. is oriented true north and overlaid with gridded “x” and “y” coordinates;
6. includes accurate floor plans overlaid on current, verified aerial imagery of the school campus;
7. has site-specific labels that match the (a) structure of school buildings, including room labels, hallway names, external door or stairwell numbers, and the location of hazards, critical utility locations, key boxes, automated external defibrillators, and trauma kits, as well as (b) school grounds, including parking areas, athletic fields, surrounding roads, and neighboring properties;
8. cannot be independently modified or updated without corresponding updates to the data held within the software platforms used by the PSAs; and
9. will be permanently available to the local or regional board of education and PSAs at no charge besides the initial cost of producing the data.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 29 Nay 0 (03/17/2026)