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House Bill 4460 (Substitute S-3 as reported)
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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Fire Prevention Code to do the following:

- Require a school that operated any grades between kindergarten and 12th grade to conduct a minimum of six, rather than eight, fire drills each school year, with at least four to be held in the fall and two during the remainder of the year if weather prohibited monthly drills.
- Require a K-12 school to conduct a minimum of two drills in which the occupants were restricted to the interior of the building and the building was secured (commonly called shelter-in-place drills), using security measures appropriate to an emergency such as the release of a hazardous material or the presence of an armed individual on or near the premises.
- Require the shelter-in-place drills to be conducted in coordination with the local emergency management coordinator, the county sheriff, the police chief, or the fire chief of the municipality where the school was located, or the designee of the sheriff, police chief, or fire chief.
- Require the State Police Emergency Management Division to develop a model for a school to use in conducting, and a local emergency management coordinator, sheriff, police chief, fire chief, or designee to use in coordinating, the shelter-in-place drills.
- Require schools, colleges, universities, and dormitories to provide for unrestricted emergency egress during school hours when the school is open to the public, rather than requiring all doors and exits to be kept unlocked during those times.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no direct fiscal impact on the State but would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on K-12 school districts, which could incur the cost of training staff in conducting shelter-in-place drills.

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