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HB0067, School zone traffic control device.

Sponsors: Representative(s) Filer, Throne and Zwonitzer, Dv. and Senator(s) Hastert and Rothfuss

Comments

More legislative micromanagement.

U: The fiscal impact, in the form of increased expenditures from the School Capital Construction Account or the School Foundation Program Account, is indeterminable. Likewise, this will impose costs on school districts that are also indeterminable. A fine example of creeping nanny-statism. Obviously, local people at city, county and school district levels are not smart enough to determine what constitutes cost-effective traffic control in their local school zones on a case-by-case basis. So the state, in its all-knowing wisdom promulgates a state-wide standard that is guaranteed to work better in all cases than anything that dumb local yokels can come up withâ€”for some reason this comes across as well-intentioned, arrogant and disrespectful. Undoubtedly, this will be just exactly what the doctor ordered in some cases, inadequate in a few cases and flat-out overkill in many cases. Its proponents will probably absolve it of all of its unintended negative consequences based on the fact that it is founded on good intentionsâ€”of course, we won't mention the fact that the road to Hell is popularly reputed to be paved with good intentions.

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