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House Bill 4991 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Wayne Kuipers
House Committee: Education
Senate Committee: Education

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised School Code to allow a school board to adopt its own policy permitting students to carry pocket pagers, electronic communication devices, or other personal communication devices in schools.

Currently, school boards must prohibit pupils from carrying these devices. Under the bill, this prohibition would apply unless a school board adopted its own local policy to the contrary. Also, the Code provides that a board may develop penalties that it considers appropriate for pupils who violate the prohibition. The bill also would allow a school board to develop penalties appropriate for violators of its own policy.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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