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 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.: **w/ PROP SEN COMM AMD**
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Subject: Including LSMSA in the MFP	

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 Includes the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts in the MFP.

The proposed legislation repeals R.S. 17:1969 which contains language relative to the funding formula for the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts. The legislation further provides for the board of directors to adopt a recommended formula to adequately fund the educational programs of the school. The formula shall have as its goal to provide state funding for the school which shall not be less than the average funding on a per student basis at peer institutions in other states having similar programs and enrollments and may provide for achieving its goal over a multi-year period. The recommended formula shall be submitted to the Division of Administration as the total budget request for the school. Funding for the school shall be provided directly to the school from the state general fund and through funds appropriated for the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) and allocated to the school from the Department of Education. MFP funds allocated to the school shall be funded at 100% of the base per pupil amount as contained in the MFP budget letter. The amount of funding for any budget request that is not provided through the MFP shall be determined by the legislature.

EXPENDITURES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation provides for funding for the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA) to be a combination of state general funds appropriated directly to the school and and state general fund dollars allocated through the MFP. The amount of funding provided through the MFP is estimated to be \$1,326,120 for FY 11, and any additional funding provided to the school will be determined by the legislature. The funding from the MFP is the base per pupil amount, which currently is \$3,855, times the number of students enrolled in the school (344 students). The amount of additional funding that will be determined by the legislature is not known.

It should be noted that LSMSA is provided in HB 1 Original of the 2010 Legislative Session a total of \$10,380,247, of which \$6,810,384 is state general funds. According to LSMSA, their projected average funding per student is approximately \$21,182 for FY 11 while peer institutions have an average of \$27,558 per student.

The proposed legislation repeals R.S. 17:1969, which contains the same language as the proposed legislation regarding the goal of the funding formula. In addition, R.S. 17:1969 (E) provided the amount of funding for any budget request submitted shall be determined by the legislature. This language will be placed in statute again through this legislation. Therefore, this fiscal note assumes that funding provided by the legislature would be at the same level as previously provided directly to the school, and funding provided through the MFP will be in addition to any other funding provided.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate
 13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

Dual Referral Rules

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

House
 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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