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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 115** HLS 13RS 474  
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<b>Subject:</b> Transfer of RSD schools back to local school system	

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Provides for parent petitions relative to the transfer of certain schools from the Recovery School District back to the local school system

The proposed legislation requires a school that is directly operated by the Recovery School District (RSD) and that has not been identified for conversion to a charter school pursuant to a charter contract between the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and a nonprofit charter organization to be removed from the RSD and returned to the administration and management of the school system if the transfer is approved by BESE, the local school board, and the following conditions are met: 1) parents or legal guardians representing at least a majority of the students attending the school sign a petition, and 2) the school has received a letter grade of "D" or "F" pursuant to the Louisiana School and District Accountability System for 5 consecutive years while under the jurisdiction of the Recovery School District. BESE is required to develop and adopt rules and regulations for the implementation of this requirement. School and district resources shall not be used to support or oppose any effort by petitioning parents or legal guardians to gather signatures and submit a petition.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The potential fiscal impact of the proposed legislation cannot be determined. The legislation allows for a process for parents to petition to return a Recovery School District (RSD) school to the local school system. It is not known if any school will ultimately be transferred under these circumstances. However, it is anticipated that the cost of educating the students will be similar under either system (local school district or Recovery School District (RSD)), though one system may have been able to provide a particular service at a lower cost. For example, the local school system may be able to absorb transportation costs at a lower rate than a single school being transferred to the Recovery School District. The workload of either the RSD or local school system may initially increase to account for all of the transfer of assets and property.

In the event a school is transferred to the local school district from the RSD as a result of this measure, the associated revenues through the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) will follow the students. The Department of Education transfers through the MFP, the state share per pupil and a calculated local share per pupil. If a school is transferred from the RSD, the local school district will receive these revenues for each student in the school in addition to other revenues generated and available to the district to use for the education of these students.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	

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