

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 327** SLS 24RS 495

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> EDUCATION		<b>Analyst:</b> Julie Silva
<b>Subject:</b> Tonja Richard Law/ Compulsory Attendance Exemptions		

SCHOOLS EG NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1  
Provides for mandatory mental health days for high school students under certain circumstances. (gov sig)

Proposed legislation provides that children who are mentally stressed and may be suffering from anxiety and whose attendance in school may endanger their academic performance are allowed to be absent from school for not more than two days per semester. Requires parents provide the school with the recommendation of a medical doctor or mental health professional and that any school work the child misses due to the mental health absence must be made up before the semester ends.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

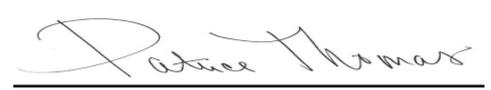
There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Current law provides a student may be absent for up to three days in any school year related to the student's mental or behavioral health, and such absences shall be excused if certification is provided in writing in accordance with the student handbook. The Louisiana Department of Education reports there is no increase in expenditures expected as a result of proposed legislation, which would provide an additional day of absence for students suffering from anxiety or mental stress.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

  
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