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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 192** HLS 14RS 568
Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Provides relative to the Student Scholarships for Educational Excellence (voucher) Program, including scholarship amounts, funding, and eligibility requirements for kindergarten students

The proposed legislation provides additional criteria for voucher eligibility for a student entering kindergarten who would otherwise have attend a "C", "D", or "F" school. Further provides annual funding from funds appropriated or otherwise available from the program in an amount equal to the MFP per pupil amount for the school system. The bill states that if the amount of the tuition charged by the participating school is less, the amount allocated shall equal the sum of the maximum tuition amount, incidental or supplementary fees charged to non-scholarship students and testing costs. Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	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. The proposed legislation codifies the funding mechanism currently in place for the Student Scholarship for Educational Excellence Program (SSEEP). The program is currently being funded with state general fund direct. The bill reenacts portions of Act 2 of the 2012 Regular Session which expanded the Student Scholarships for Educational Excellence program (SSEEP) and further provided that the program would be funded with the state and local portions of the MFP. The LA Supreme Court has declared that the use of MFP funds for the payment of tuition to non-public schools is unconstitutional. The proposed legislation provides instead that funding will be from funds made available for the program in lieu of MFP funds in amounts equal to the MFP per pupil allocation amount that would have gone to the local school system. If the tuition plus accountability testing fee amounts are less than per pupil allocation then payments to participating schools shall be the same as that charged to non-scholarship students. The SSEEP FY 14 funding totals \$43.1M; recommended funding for FY 15 is \$46.1M

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

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☐ 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}

☐ 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

☐ 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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