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ETHICS

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Provides relative to conflicts of interest for members of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Superintendent of Education

Provides that no member of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), the state superintendent of education, members of their immediate family, or legal entity in which they have a substantial economic interest with certain exceptions shall bid or enter into a contract, subcontract or transaction that is under the supervision or jurisdiction of BESE or the Department of Education. Provides that a member of BESE and the superintendent shall not be a member of or serve in any capacity in a non governmental organization if such service or membership requires adherence to or adoption of educational standards, conditions or policies. Provides for a two year proscriptive period following termination of public service to engage in, assist another person or make an appearance in connection with a transaction involving BESE or the DOE or to render any service on a contractual basis; extends the prohibition to any legal entity in which they are an officer, director, trustee, partner or employee.

EXPENDITURES	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There may be a reduction in expenditures for the DOE if the superintendent is not reimbursed for certain travel expenses. As a member of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), the superintendent has received travel reimbursements in accordance with PPM 49. The DOE did not provide the amount of reimbursements associated with this travel in previous fiscal years. However, the PARCC consortium is anticipated to sunset in December 2015 and as such it is unlikely that future reimbursements will be made for PARCC meetings.

Additionally, a recent ruling by the Board of Ethics determined the superintendent was eligible for reimbursement for travel associated with his role in a national education group Chiefs of Change. Due to a recent reorganization the group has ended its association with another foundation working in support of national educational standards. However, to the extent the activities of Chiefs of Change meets the definition in the proposed legislation and the superintendent is prohibited from participation, there may be a decrease in state general fund expenditures associated with his travel reimbursements.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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