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Provides that public school transportation be made available for certain students attending nearby technical colleges. (8/1/12)

The proposed legislation allows each city, parish, and other local school board to provide transportation to any full-time student who is 20 years of age or younger and attending a technical college campus, that is part of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, within the jurisdictional boundaries of the local board. If the closest technical college campus is located outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the local school board, the board shall coordinate with neighboring boards to facilitate transportation to the technical college campus. Each school board may assess a fee to each student utilizing the transportation services not to exceed the actual cost of providing such transportation, including administrative costs. The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions in the legislation. These provisions will not apply to school boards in a parish with a population of more than 300,000 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census or to school boards that operate a parish-wide public transit system that provides sufficient service to meet the transportation needs of the students in the parish.

EXPENDITURES	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						

REVENUES	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Local Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

To the extent that school systems choose to provide transportation services to students attending technical college campuses, local expenditures will increase by an indeterminable amount. The number of school boards that may choose to provide services is not known, therefore, the number of students who may be transported is indeterminable. The legislation allows the school system to charge each student a fee which would cover the cost of providing the transportation, including the administrative costs.

The increase in expenditures depends on the participation by the school systems, participation by the technical college students and the distance of the transportation routes. The provisions of the bill do not apply to school boards in East Baton Rouge Parish, Jefferson Parish and Orleans Parish (parishes with populations over 300,000) and parishes that operate a parish-wide public transportation system that provides sufficient service to meet the transportation needs of students attending technical colleges in the parish.

According to the fall 2011-12 enrollment figures, the following is information on the number of full-time students enrolled in technical colleges between the ages of 18-21 (the data is sorted by age groups so the number of 21 year old students could not be excluded): Capital Area Technical College 347, South Central LA Technical College 415, Northwest LA Technical College, Acadiana Technical College 593, Central LA Technical College 271 and Northeast LA Technical College 238 for a total of 2,523 full-time students ages 18-21. Senate bills 247, 284 and 645 proposed this legislative session create or merge the following technical colleges into community colleges: Acadiana Technical College, Central Louisiana Technical College, and Northeast Louisiana Technical College. If these bills are enacted, the enrollment in the remaining technical colleges of full-time students ages 18-21 is 1,077.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation allows public school systems to charge a fee to students utilizing the transportation services to technical college campuses. The fee shall not exceed the actual cost of providing transportation, including administrative costs. The per student fee charge by a school board is indeterminable.

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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}		H. Gordon Monk Legislative Fiscal Officer