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Fiscal Note On: **HB** 690 HLS 14RS 300

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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

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Sub. Bill For.:

Dept./Agy.: Public School Districts

Subject: Authorizes School District Purchasing Cooperatives

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Permits public school districts and schools to participate in group purchasing for materials, equipment, and supplies

Purpose of Bill: This bill authorizes public schools and public school districts to participate in purchasing cooperatives for procurement of materials, equipment, and supplies. This bill provides that a school district purchasing cooperative may solicit proposals or bids from vendors, and members of the purchasing cooperative may purchase materials, equipment, and supplies in accordance with contracts submitted to the school district purchasing cooperative by a vendor.

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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

According to officials with the school districts of Jefferson Parish, Lafayette Parish, Ouachita Parish, and Tangipahoa Parish, there is no way to estimate the impact, if any, of this bill. These officials indicated that the decision to participate in a purchasing cooperative would depend on the costs of creating and joining the cooperative, and whether it would effectively generate savings in comparison to contracting the purchases themselves or using other options. Public school districts are currently authorized to purchase materials, equipment, and supplies using statewide contracts administered by the Office of State Purchasing as well as through certain contracts of other public school systems.

An official with the Office of State Purchasing (OSP) indicated that this bill does not have any effect on the expenditures of the OSP. According to this official, the authorization for school districts to use other cooperative purchasing options could potentially divert usage from OSP contracts; however, the loss of usage would not be significant enough to cause an increase in pricing for the OSP contracts.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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