# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0895-02

Bill No.: HCS for HB 297

Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Elementary and Secondary Education Dept

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 4, 2005

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated				
Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>Local Government</b>	Less than \$100,000	Less than \$100,000	Less than \$100,000

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume there will be no fiscal impact on the Courts.

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** stated there would be no fiscal impact their agency. DESE did assume that there could be additional printing costs incurred by school districts to provide report cards to certain businesses.

Officials from the **Poplar Bluff School District** indicated there would be no fiscal impact to their district.

Officials from the **Columbia Public School District** estimated a potential savings of \$5,000 in staff time no longer needed for the compilation process for the report card.

Officials from the **Parkway School District** stated this proposal would provide some savings in personnel time that is currently spent compiling data which in this proposal would be unnecessary. Estimated cost savings were less than \$5,000.

Officials from the **Nixa School District** did not respond to a request for fiscal note, but in the introduced version of this proposal indicated there could be cost savings to their district by not

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## <u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

producing a report card and that they would be able to use their existing website to provide information.

Officials from the **Kansas City School District (District)** did not respond to a request for fiscal note, but in the introduced version of this proposal they stated that most of the data proposed is already included in the existing accountability report cards that the District prepares and distributes by schools to patrons and the public. It would not be difficult to provide the additional statistics proposed in this legislation, because the new statistics included in the proposal are already collected by the District.

Officials from the **Saint Louis School District** did not respond to the request for fiscal note, but in the introduced version of this proposal they indicated there would be no fiscal impact to their district.

**Oversight** assumes, based on responses from various school districts, that no additional costs would be incurred since data was being collected and information disseminated already. Some districts might see some cost savings resulting from the proposal. **Oversight** estimates cost savings statewide to be less than \$100,000.

Officials from the **Mexico**, **Lee's Summit**, and **Springfield School Districts** have not responded to a request for fiscal note on this proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
Savings - Personal services	Less than	Less than	Less than
	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
SCHOOL DISTRICTS	<b>Less than \$100,000</b>	<u>Less than</u> \$100,000	<b>Less than \$100,000</b>

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### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

### **DESCRIPTION**

Currently, school districts are required to produce an annual accountability report card for each school building, distribute copies to the households with students, and make copies available to other members of the public upon request. This proposal transfers the responsibility for producing the report card to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, specifying that there will be report cards for each district, each public school building in a district, and each charter school. The report card will be designed to satisfy federal and state statistical disclosure requirements about academic achievement, finances, staff, and other indicators.

The proposal makes changes to the contents of the report card and clarifies existing requirements. The requirement to report participation rates in several programs and activities is removed. The report card must disclose each school that has been identified as a priority school under state law or as needing improvement or requiring specific improvement measures under federal law. Districts must make reasonable efforts to provide the report card information to all venues and give preference to distribution methods that will include the information with other important information, such as student report cards.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Office of State Courts Administrator
School Districts
Columbia
Poplar Bluff
Parkway

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# **NOT RESPONDING**

**School Districts** 

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