

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0440-01  
Bill No.: SB 151  
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary  
Type: Original  
Date: February 13, 2009

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Bill Summary: Requires high school students to fulfill the personal finance requirement by completing a course through their school district or the virtual public school

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume the proposal would prohibit students from testing out of the personal finance requirement. It is unclear whether this prohibition would extend to embedded curricula in another class. If embedding is no longer an option, then there could be significant impact on school districts that have chosen to embed this content in another course whether a semester course or a year-long course. School districts would be forced to rearrange their scheduling, teachers, classes, and to potentially purchase new textbooks. DESE does not know how many districts are allowing "testing out" or embedding.

**Oversight** assumes since the personal finance requirement which was approved in October, 2005 by the State Board of Education is already in place, this proposal codifies the requirement as well as provides an option of completing the course offered through the virtual school. **Oversight** assumes a minimum number of students currently opt to test out of the course. Based on responses from school districts, **Oversight** assumes no fiscal impact to school districts.

Officials from the **Blue Springs School District** state they already comply with the provisions of this proposal.

Officials from the **Fair Grove School District** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their district.

Officials from the **Marshfield School District** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their district. In response to an identical proposal from last year (SB 1232 - FN 5284-02), officials stated their district was planning for all students to take the class and had already budgeted for another teacher for the added class in personal finance.

Also in response to SB 1232 from last year, officials from the **Francis Howell School District** stated it was unlikely that a student could test out of the course, given the requirements. They were not aware of any student who had tested out of the course. They stated there would be no fiscal impact, since they already provide the instruction to all students.

Officials from the **Poplar Bluff School District**, in response to SB 1232 from last year, stated the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their district.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

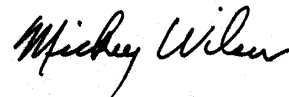
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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  
School Districts  
Blue Springs  
Fair Grove  
Marshfield  
Poplar Bluff  
Francis Howell



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Director  
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