# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 5478-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 857

Subject: Education, Higher

Type: Original

<u>Date</u>: January 26, 2016

Bill Summary: This proposal requires the Coordinating Board for Higher Education to

establish a procedure for the reimbursement of the student's portion of any

fees for any dual credit courses.

### FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019		
General Revenue	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)		
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019		
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 2017 FY 2018 F							
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019		
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019		
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0		

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

**Oversight** was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

**Oversight** notes this proposal establishes a procedure by which a student's portion of fees for any dual credit course can be reimbursed using their Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program funds.

**Oversight** notes that in budget submissions, the Department of Higher Education states the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program is designed to provide need-based financial aid to eligible Missouri residents. Students with an expected family contribution below the established cutoff are eligible for the award. Award amounts are graduated, using statutory formula, based on the student's expected family contribution.

Starting in FY 2015 and beyond the award amounts are:
Public two-year sector = \$300 minimum and \$1,300 maximum
Public four-year sector and State Technical College = \$1,500 minimum and \$2,850 maximum
Private institutions = \$1,500 minimum and \$2,850 maximum.

Table 1 - Number of Students Receiving Grant

	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Actual	FY 2015 Actual	FY 2016 Projected	FY 2017 Target	FY 2018 Target
Number of Students	55,858	52,826	51,367	49,500	49,000	49,000
Appropriated Amount	\$65,378,693	\$60,734,076	\$60,037,904	\$69,500,000	N/A	N/A

Source: Department of Higher Education

N/A not available

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

**Oversight** notes this proposal would allow high school students to be reimbursed their student fees for a dual credit course. Oversight is not able to determine how many students who currently take dual credit courses would be eligible for Access Missouri funds in the future. Therefore, Oversight can not predict how many students would use their Access Missouri funds for their current dual credit courses. Oversight will show the impact as Unknown for General Revenue.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
GENERAL REVENUE			
<u>Cost</u> - DHE - Access Mo funds used for dual credit	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0

#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

## FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act modifies the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program by requiring the Coordinating Board for Higher Education to establish a procedure for the reimbursement of the student's portion of fees for any dual credit courses taken by the student.

The Coordinating Board shall promulgate an administrative rule to establish eligibility requirements for the reimbursements. The Board's rule must include the following requirements: a student must attend a public high school for one year, have made a good faith effort to secure available federal aid, and earn a minimal grade point average while in high school, as determined

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# FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

by the Board. The Board has authority to establish additional eligibility requirements for reimbursements.

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**

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