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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1745-01
Bill No.: SB 401
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
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Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes the granting of a visiting scholars certificate to teachers in public schools.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
General Revenue	(\$35,000)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$35,000)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
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 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
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 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** assume this will require the creation of a new teaching certificate; thereby, requiring a new certificate application in the Educator Certification System. Based upon previous ITSD work to create similar applications, the estimated cost will be \$35,000.

Officials at the **Missouri Highway Patrol** assume that due to an unknown number of applicants applying for a visiting scholars certificate under this provision, the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division anticipates an unknown fiscal impact but expects the overall fiscal impact to be very minimal.

The charge for each background check processed is \$40.30. Twenty dollars for the state fingerprint check, \$12 for the federal check, and an \$8.30 charge for the electronic fingerprint option used through a third-party vendor ($\$20 + \$12 + \$8.30 = \40.30). Of this amount, the state retains the \$20 state fee and \$2 of the federal charge of the \$12 for a pass thru fee. The \$8.30 charge is paid directly to the vendor at the time of application.

Oversight notes this proposal allows the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to create a visiting scholars certificate that would allow a person to teach in a Missouri school district without a Missouri teaching certificate.

According to this proposal, the visiting scholar's certificate would require the completion of a background check performed by the Missouri Highway Patrol. **Oversight** assumes there would be few of these background checks done and that the revenue and costs will not be material.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
GENERAL REVENUE			
<u>Cost - one-time computer upgrades DESE</u>	<u>(\$35,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$35,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
	<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

This act provides that the State Board of Education may grant an initial visiting scholars certificate as a license to teach in public schools. The hiring school district must verify that the applicant will be employed as part of a business-education partnership initiative designed to build career pathways systems for students. The applicant must also be employed in a content area in which the individual has an academic degree or professional experience. He or she may only teach classes for ninth grade or higher for which the applicant's degree or professional experience qualifies him or her.

The certificate shall last one year, and the applicant may renew the certificate up to two times if certain requirements are met, as described in the act.

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
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