COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Summary: This proposal enacts provisions relating to earned school credit in out-ofclassroom learning experiences.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
General Revenue	Could exceed	Could exceed	Could exceed	
	(\$119,610)	(\$91,489)	(\$92,402)	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on General	Could exceed	Could exceed	Could exceed	
Revenue	(\$119,610)	(\$91,489)	(\$92,402)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on Other State				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on <u>All</u> Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
General Revenue	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	

□ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

□ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Local Government	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Section 160.565 Extended Learning Opportunities

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** state this section establishes the Extended Learning Opportunities Act. DESE would be required to assist students and parents in completing the enrollment process, developing an agreement form for each vendor that parents or students must sign, assisting in follow ups on those forms, assuring the student and one parent signs the form, determining if the parent has parental rights in place to sign such a form, etc. The Department estimates at least one Director FTE at a \$51,288 annual salary would be required to comply with these requirements.

The section also requires the development of a statewide policy, including criteria for provider approval, basis for credit acceptance and application processes, etc. DESE estimates an additional fiscal impact of at least \$35,000 for the policy development and modifications to the data collection system.

In response to a similar provision in HCS for SB 323 (2021), officials from the **Sikeston R-6 School District** assumed the impact would be related to developing new learning opportunities for students with new partnerships.

Oversight notes this section requires, beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, the state board of education and each local school board shall routinely inform students and their parents of the ability to earn credit for participating in extended learning opportunities.

Oversight assumes there could be costs associated with informing and assisting students and parents who want to participate in extended learning opportunities. Oversight will show the costs as estimated by DESE (could exceed 1 FTE) and an unknown cost to school districts.

Rule Promulgation

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** note many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet

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these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with its core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
	(10 Mo.)		
GENERAL REVENUE			
Costs - DESE - policy development and			
modifications to data collection system			
- §160.565	(\$35,000)	\$0	\$0
<u>Costs</u> - DESE - §160.565	Could exceed	Could exceed	Could exceed
Personal Service	(\$42,740)	(\$51,801)	(\$52,319)
Fringe Benefits	(\$26,012)	(\$31,400)	(\$31,589)
Expense & Equipment	<u>(\$15,858)</u>	(\$8,288)	(\$8,494)
Total Costs	<u>(\$84,610)</u>	<u>(\$91,489)</u>	(\$92,402)
FTE Change DESE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON	Could exceed	Could exceed	Could exceed
GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$119,610)</u>	<u>(\$91,489)</u>	(\$92,402)
Net FTE Change for General Revenue	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS & CHARTER SCHOOLS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>
<u>Costs</u> - inform and assist students/parents who want to participate in extended learning opportunities - §160.565	<u>0</u>	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
SCHOOL DISTRICTS & CHARTER SCHOOLS	(10 Mo.)	1 1 2024	
FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act establishes the "Extended Learning Opportunities Act".

Beginning with the 2023-24 school year, the State Board of Education and each local school board shall routinely inform students and parents of the ability to earn credit through extended learning opportunities, which the act defines as out-of-classroom learning experiences approved by the Board, a school board, or a charter school to provide enrichment, career readiness skills, or other approved educational opportunities.

Board, public school, and charter school employees may assist students and parents in enrolling in such programs. Such opportunities shall not require the permission of the student's school so long as the student and at least one parent sign an agreement detailing all program requirements.

Extended learning opportunities shall count as credit toward graduation requirements and the achievement of state standards. Students shall submit a written request and proof of completion to a school administrator to receive credit.

The Board shall adopt, and each local school district shall distribute and implement, policies related to the approval of extended learning opportunities by outside entities, a list of approved entities, a process for requesting credit, criteria for the approval of extended learning opportunities by districts and charter schools, and criteria for awarding a certificate of completion and credit.

Entities approved by the Board shall be qualified to offer extended learning opportunities for all districts and charter schools.

A student awarded a certificate of completion and credit shall be considered to have completed all coursework for the particular course of study. Opportunities that satisfy all required coursework for a high school course shall count toward credit for graduation.

Policies and procedures adopted by the Board and by schools shall provide students an equal opportunity to participate in extended learning opportunities and shall satisfy existing timelines and requirements for transcribing and reporting credits.

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

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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