COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0388S.02P

Bill No.: Perfected SB 34

Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Department of Elementary and Secondary

Education; Religion; Teachers

Type: Original

Date: February 23, 2023

Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes school districts and public charter schools to offer

elective social studies courses on the Hebrew Scriptures and the New

Testament.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on General					
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
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	FUND AFFECTED FY 2024 FY 2025 FY 2						
Total Estimated Net							
Effect on All Federal							
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

☐ Est	imated Net Effect (expen	ditures or reduced revenue	es) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any
of 1	the three fiscal years after	implementation of the act	t or at full implementation of the act.

☐ Estimated Net I	Effect (savings	or increased	revenues)	expected to	exceed \$2	250,000 in any	of
the three fiscal	years after imp	olementation of	of the act of	or at full imp	olementati	ion of the act.	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Section 170.341 as amended

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

In response to a similar proposal, SB 323 (2021), officials from **Affton 101 School District** assumed there could be a fiscal impact.

In response to a similar proposal, SB 323 (2021), officials from the **High Point R-III School District** assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact.

In response to the similar HB 267 (2019), officials from the **Springfield Public Schools** assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact.

In response to the similar HB 267 (2019), officials from **Wellsville-Middletown R-1 School District** stated public schools already have the ability to teach any religious text in a neutral manner, on a factual and historical basis.

Oversight notes that this proposal is permissive and appears be consistent with what is already allowed under current law; therefore, Oversight does not anticipate a fiscal impact from this proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 Mo.)		
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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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

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct 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 Affton 101 School District High Point R-III School District Springfield Public Schools Wellsville-Middletown R-1 School District

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