

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

Original
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LRB Number 01-2981/3	Introduction Number AB-502
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Subject
 Youth options program; limit school board payment to 6 credits

Fiscal Effect

State:

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
- Increase Existing Appropriations
 Increase Existing Revenues
 Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
- Decrease Existing Appropriations
 Decrease Existing Revenues
 Yes No
- Create New Appropriations Decrease Costs

Local:

- No Local Government Costs
 - Indeterminate
 - 1. Increase Costs
 3. Increase Revenue
 - Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory
 - 2. Decrease Costs
 4. Decrease Revenue
 - Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
- Towns Village Cities
 - Counties Others
 - School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Currently, a pupil enrolled in a public school in the 11th or 12th grade may attend an institution of higher education for one or more courses under the youth options program. The school board of the district in which the pupil is enrolled is responsible for paying the cost of tuition, fees, and books for the pupil.

This bill provides that a school board is not responsible for payment under the youth options program for more than six credits in any semester. The bill also provides that, if a pupil fails to complete a course, the pupil must reimburse the school board the amount paid on the pupil's behalf.

This bill may require additional costs for the department of public instruction for administration, the cost of amending PI 40 to conform to the bill, notifying districts of the statutory and administrative rule changes, and handling an increase in appeals. It is anticipated that these costs could be absorbed within the agency's budget.

School districts might have decreased costs if a credit limitation is placed on school boards' payment responsibility under the youth options program. DPI does not collect data from school districts that would indicate how many pupils would be affected, and the extent to which they would be affected, by the proposed payment limitation. School districts might also have decreased costs if pupils fail to complete courses and are consequently required to reimburse school boards the amount paid on their behalf. The department does not collect data from school districts that would indicate their possible savings as a result of such reimbursements.

Therefore, the department cannot estimate possible cost savings for school districts.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications