

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 05-3140/1 **Introduction Number** SB-327

Subject
 School and school district performance reports

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**

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, each school board must by January 1 each year distribute to the parent or guardian of each pupil enrolled in the school district a copy of the school and school district performance report, which contains information such as scores on statewide pupil examinations and attendance and retention rates, as well as a comparison of the school district's performance with the performance of other school districts in the same conference.

This bill requires instead that the school board send the report by May 1 each year only to parents or guardians who request it and, if the school district maintains an Internet site, requires the report be made available to the public at that site.

Because districts will be required to distribute school performance reports only to parents who request them, school districts should realize a cost savings related to printing and mailing as a result of this bill. Because it is unknown how many parents and guardians will request the report, this cost reduction is indeterminate.

A school district would be able to provide the school performance report on its Internet site at little, if any, additional expense.

Any potential net savings provided to a school district under this bill would not necessarily be used to reduce that district's local school property tax levy as local school boards, as restricted by statutory revenue limits, determine a district's allowable levy. Further, since nearly all school districts use their maximum allowable revenue limit authority each year, it could be assumed that any cost savings realized by a district due to the elimination of any requirements related to the school performance report would very likely be replaced by other district costs under existing revenue limits.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications