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 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
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TEACHERS EG INCREASE LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to teacher planning time and lunch periods. (gov sig)

Present law requires each city and parish school board to provide a minimum of forty-five minutes daily planning time, or its weekly equivalent, and a minimum of thirty minutes for lunch each day, which shall be duty-free for every teacher actively engaged in the instruction and supervision of students in public schools. This shall not result in a lengthened school day. Present law further provides that these provisions shall be subject to the availability of state funds for this purpose. Proposed law removes the requirement that teachers receive duty-free lunch time and requires thirty to forty-five minutes of uninterrupted planning time per day, or its weekly equivalent. Proposed law provides that these provisions shall not result in a reduction of instructional time for students. Under proposed law, these provisions are no longer subject to the availability of state funds. Effective on July 1, 2022.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local school districts will likely experience an expenditure increase, potentially significant in the aggregate statewide, to provide the required minimum planning time for teachers to the extent the district is not providing the requisite planning time to teachers. The potential increase in expenditures would be a result of hiring additional personnel to provide appropriate staff and instruction coverage. However, it is anticipated that any school not offering the appropriate planning time will first attempt to meet the requirements by altering schedules to the extent that it may be possible to satisfy the requirements utilizing existing staff. The Department of Education does not have information pertaining to the number of districts that currently allow for the required planning time. There are 6 districts that are under collective bargaining agreements; the provisions of this bill would not apply to these districts.

Elementary school teachers in schools that are unable to provide additional teaching staff for ancillary classes such as art and physical education may not currently have sufficient planning time to meet the requirements of the proposed legislation. These schools will need to hire additional staff, though the number of such schools is indeterminable. Due to elimination of the required duty-free lunch and reduction of the planning period to a minimum of thirty uninterrupted minutes, individual districts may be able to absorb the requirements of this measure. However, if even a few such ancillary staff are hired across the state, the aggregate cost will exceed \$100,000.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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