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 Requires dyslexia education as a component of teacher education programs

Proposed legislation requires that beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and thereafter, all teacher education programs must include at least three credit hours on teaching students with dyslexia. Coursework must include: (1) an overview of scientific work regarding dyslexia; (2) an overview of evidence-based instruction for individuals with dyslexia; and (3) an introduction to the process of becoming a dyslexia practitioner or dyslexia therapist. Proposed legislation provides that the provisions of the proposed legislation also apply to any alternative means of teacher certification.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>					<b>\$0</b>

  

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There will be an increase in SGF and SGR expenditures for certain postsecondary institutions to incorporate the required course into teacher certification programs. There will be costs in FY 24 to recruit faculty and redesign teacher certification programs to include the required course. There will be annual costs beginning in FY 25 for faculty to teach the required course. While these costs are indeterminable, postsecondary institutions have estimated that annual costs will exceed \$1.1 M annually beginning in FY 25. No institutions plan to increase fees or tuition as a result of the proposed legislation.

For illustrative purposes, postsecondary institutions have provided projections of the costs they will face in implementing the proposed legislation:

The Louisiana State University (LSU) system reports that it will require \$181,400 for one (1) LSU Shreveport tenure track professor (\$66,000 salary and \$29,000 related benefits) and one (1) LSU A&M unclassified faculty member (\$60,000 salary and \$26,400 related benefits). Additionally, LSU Shreveport reports it will need \$8,000 in start-up costs in FY 24 to search for and hire the faculty member, as well as \$2,000 in annual operating expenses beginning in FY 25 to ensure that it utilizes modern techniques and mechanisms for student success.

The University of Louisiana (UL) system reports that it will require \$651,134 to implement the proposed legislation. It will require eight (8) new positions, one each at Grambling State University, LA Tech University, McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern State University, and UL Monroe. UL Lafayette will require two (2) positions. These eight (8) positions will cost \$494,000 in salaries and \$277,389 in related benefits. McNeese State University reports it will require \$5,000 in operating expenses in FY 25 to pay for initial training and \$2,500 in subsequent years to maintain and update training; \$1,000 for any special equipment that would be needed for diagnosing or training for dyslexia; and \$1,200 in FY 25 to provide the new faculty member with a computer and phone.

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**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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UL Lafayette reports it will require \$192,000 in FY 24 to provide 20 faculty with 2 course releases per semester to provide faculty with time to redesign each concentration within the teacher certification program. In FY 25, UL Lafayette reports it will require \$6,000 in one-time startup costs for the two (2) new faculty members, annual materials and resource costs of \$5,000, and \$10,000 for annual professional development.

The Southern University system reports it will require \$272,700 to implement the proposed legislation. Southern University New Orleans (SUNO) will require two (2) positions including one (1) professor and one (1) administrative assistant. Note: While salaries for these positions total \$98,000, the LFO has not received information on the cost of related benefits. SUNO also reports it will require \$8,000 in operating expenses and \$15,000 in one-time in other charges expenses to equip and furnish a Dyslexia Reading Lab. Southern University Baton Rouge (SUBR) reports it will require \$83,850 for one (1) professor (\$65,000 salary and \$18,850 related benefits). SUBR also reports it will require \$10,000 in operating expenses and \$57,850 in one-time other charges expenses.

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