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Subject: CPR and first aid certification for school bus drivers		

BUS DRIVERS OR +\$61,500 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Requires school bus operators to be trained in CPR and first aid. (gov sig)

Proposed law would require the Department of Education (LDE) to incorporate CPR and first aid training that is in compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements into the existing program for training and certification of school bus operators.

Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$61,500	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	\$61,500
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	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation will result in an increase in state expenditures of \$61,500 for the Department of Education to train instructors in CPR and first aid. These costs will vary from year-to-year due to local staffing changes and to ensure recertification of employees.

State law requires the LDE to develop and implement a program for the training and certification of school bus operators. Currently, the LDE conducts three-day training sessions to certify Master Instructors and School Bus Driver Instructors who conduct training sessions for school bus drivers. Both Master Instructors and School Bus Driver Instructors are transportation staff with local school systems or private providers of transportation services. New school bus drivers must complete a three-day training session and existing drivers must complete a minimum of eight hours of in-service training within a two-year period. The proposed legislation would add CPR and first aid training sessions to the current program.

LDE costs will increase by an estimated \$61,500 in order to ensure all School Bus Driver Instructors are certified as Red Cross Licensed Training Providers. At least one instructor at each district (and approved charter schools) would need to become a Red Cross Licensed Training Provider for an estimated \$60,000 in course fees (75 trainees x \$800 course cost per trainee), plus an estimated \$1,500 instructor fees (\$250 x 6 regional sessions). There would be ongoing costs to LDE to renew Licensed Training Provider certifications and to train new Instructors due to attrition or retirement.

Per the LDE, certified instructors may conduct training sessions at no cost to session participants. CPR certification will not be provided through these sessions.

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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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There may be an increase in the expenditures of local school districts to purchase instructional equipment, however this is indeterminable. According to Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards, CPR and first aid training should involve hands-on skills through the use of mannequins and partners as well as visual aids. Some districts may already have this equipment on hand, while others may need to purchase new equipment (costs range from roughly \$650 to \$2,400). While an unknown number of districts already provide CPR and first aid training to school bus drivers, it is unknown whether existing resources are sufficient to meet the training requirements of the proposed legislation.

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