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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 283** HLS 26RS 692

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Teacher's Shield Act		

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Provides relative to incidents of assault and battery on teachers and other school employees

Proposed legislation, cited as the "Teacher's Shield Act," strengthens disciplinary requirements for students who commit assault or battery of school employees and clarifies sick leave usage for employees injured as a result of such incidents. Requires immediate suspension of a student accused of assault or battery of a school employee and requires the principal to recommend expulsion if the student is found guilty by either a court or school hearing. The student must be expelled for at least two semesters, placed in an alternative educational setting, and prohibited from returning to the same school as the impacted employee. Requires the student to participate in an anger management program and requires documentation of the incident to be maintained in the student's permanent record. Clarifies existing law concerning use of sick leave by school employees injured as a result of assault or battery can be used for the following: medical treatment, psychological treatment, and rehabilitation.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local school systems are anticipated to experience an indeterminable increase in expenditures for costs associated with providing or contracting for required anger management programs. Additional increases may be realized for the cost of substitute personnel if expansion of the criteria concerning the use of sick leave results in an increase in utilization of such sick leave by school employees. Any increase in expenditures will depend on the number of incidents involving assault or battery against school employees and the availability of existing alternative education infrastructure within each school system. To the extent that school systems currently operate alternative education programs and existing disciplinary procedures comply with the provisions of proposed legislation, costs may be absorbed within existing resources.

Note: Information concerning the impact of proposed legislation on local education agencies (LEAs) has been requested from the Louisiana School Boards Association (LSBA). No response was received prior to the publication of this fiscal note. If and when additional relevant information is received, this note will be updated.

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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