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| Subject: Salary supplement for educational diagnosticians | |

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 Provides relative to salary supplements for public school educational diagnosticians

Proposed law provides that a full-time educational diagnostician holding a valid La. teaching certificate and educational diagnostician certification issued by the state Dept. of Education and a Nationally Certified Educational Diagnostician (NCED) credential issued by the National Certification for Educational Diagnosticians' Board (NCEDB) and who is employed by a school board to provide educational diagnostic services to students or to provide supervision of any kind to educational diagnosticians shall receive from the school board an annual amount of \$5,000 when federal funds applied for this purpose by the local school system are available for distribution. Proposed law states that a school board shall budget, receive, and expend federal funds that are or may be allocated to implement the provisions of the legislation. To be eligible to receive the salary supplement for the fall of the 2014-15 school year, the national certification must have been issued before July 1, 2013 and shall provide documentation of validity to the school board prior to September 1, 2013.

| EXPENDITURES | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 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 | INCREASE | INCREASE | INCREASE | INCREASE | \$0 |
| Local Funds | <u>\$0</u> | SEE BELOW | SEE BELOW | SEE BELOW | SEE BELOW | \$0 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | | | | | \$0 |

| REVENUES | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 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 | <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

Federal fund expenditures may increase over \$1 million in FY 15, and thereafter to provide a \$5,000 supplement and the associated retirement costs (\$1,360) to educational diagnosticians that hold the Nationally Certified Educational Diagnostician certification in Louisiana and are employed by a local school board (if federal funds are available and eligible to be used for such purposes). The estimate above is based on providing approximately 168 teachers a \$5,000 salary supplement (\$840,000), and the associated retirement (\$228,480). The contribution rate to be paid by the employer for teachers in the regular retirement plan for FY 13-14 is 27.2% (this rate could change by FY 15). If any local school systems currently provide a supplement to educational diagnosticians, the expenditures noted above will decrease accordingly.

The Department of Education does not have data on the number of educational diagnosticians employed by school boards that hold such certification. The National Certification of Educational Diagnosticians has reported that Louisiana has 168 current members.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |

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