

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 61** SLS 14RS 326

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ HSE FLOOR AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> May 29, 2014	9:51 AM	<b>Author:</b> NEVERS
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Education		<b>Analyst:</b> Jodi Mauroner
<b>Subject:</b> School Choice		

EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY                      EGF SEE FISC NOTE GF EX See Note  
Provides for the Louisiana Public School Choice Act. (gov sig)

The proposed legislation provides that a parent may enroll his child in the public school of his choice, without regards to residence, geographic boundaries, or attendance zones if the student would otherwise attend a school with a "D" or "F" performance letter grade and the student seeks to enroll in a school with a performance letter grade of "A", "B", or "C" for the most recent school year. The bill does not require a local school system to provide transportation to any student located outside the geographic boundaries of the school system in which he resides if it results in additional cost to the system. Provides for the student to be counted in the school system for the purpose of the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula funding and any other state or federal funding for which the student may be eligible. Further authorizes the school system in which he resides to assess a fee not to exceed the amount established by the MFP for that year as the local share of the per pupil amount in the school system where the student resides. Effective upon governor's signature.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is an indeterminable impact in state and local expenditures due to students from outside the geographic boundaries of the system choosing to attend schools within the system. The FY 14 MFP calculates an average local cost per student to be \$3,544, however, a local school district may spend more or less of that amount from local resources on any individual student. Local school systems would receive the total state per pupil funding from the MFP formula for each additional student that enters the school system to help cover the costs of educating each student. MFP expenditures could increase to provide full funding for a student entering a school system with a higher cost per pupil, or alternatively could decrease if the new school system is funded at a lower per pupil amount.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There will be an indeterminable increase in revenues for local schools districts to the extent the new school district in which the student enrolls chooses to assess a fee for the local share of the MFP per pupil amount. The bill as drafted authorizes the school system in which the student resides to assess a fee, the amount of which shall not exceed the amount established by the MFP for that year as the local share of the per pupil amount in the system in which the student resides. However, the stated intent of the amendment was to allow the new school district in which the student enrolls to collect the local portion of the per pupil allocation which is otherwise not funded due to the fact that the student resides in another district. As such, this note recognizes potential increases in revenues for the schools districts enrolling students outside the geographic boundaries of the district.

- |   |                            |              |  |
|---|----------------------------|--------------|--|
| <u>Senate</u>   | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       |                            |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 State Rev. Reduc. {H & 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} |

*Evan Brasseaux*  
**Evan Brasseaux**  
**Staff Director**