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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3644-01
Bill No.: SB 815
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Elementary and Secondary Education Department; Teachers; Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils
Type: Original
Date: February 15, 2010

Bill Summary: This proposal allows school districts to adopt a year-round education program, implement multiple start dates for kindergarten students, and expands the Teacher Choice Compensation Package statewide.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
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| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
| | | | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
| | | | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** provided the following assumptions regarding this proposed legislation:

§168.106, 168.745, 168.747

These sections extend the Teacher Choice Compensation Package statewide. A fund is established under current statute to provide revenue to The Teacher Choice Compensation Package. The statute provides that the General Assembly shall appropriate \$5 million annually to the fund. This is not a new provision to the statute. The program is expanded state wide but the appropriation is not increased.

§171.015

This section allows districts to implement year-around calendars. There would not be a fiscal impact to the state. The year-around school provision allows schools to go the statutorily required amount of time over a longer calendar span. It would not have an impact on the state aid that they receive.

§171.017

This section allows school districts to implement two start dates for kindergarten; one at the start of school and one half-way through the year. There would not be a fiscal impact to the state.

Officials from the **Blue Springs School District** indicated there would be no costs associated with this proposal for their school district.

Officials from the **Parkway School District** state this proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their district.

Officials from the **Special School District of St Louis County** indicated this proposed legislation is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on their district.

Officials from the **Fair Grove School District** assume this proposal would have a major impact on school funding. Their teachers are paid on a 180 day school year and if another 40 days are added, salaries and benefits, plus food and transportation costs would be prohibitive.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Francis Howell School District (FHSD)** state their district currently offers a year-round schedule for their elementary students. The summer break is approximately five weeks long. FHSD assumes the proposed legislation limits the length of breaks, including summer, to no more than four weeks. This would result in a cost of more than \$625,000 to pay elementary teachers for an additional five days.

Oversight assumes the language in the proposal regarding year-round school and multiple start dates for kindergarten students is permissive. There would be no additional cost to school districts unless they elect to adopt the year-round school program.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u> | FY 2011 (10 Mo.) | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u> | FY 2011 (10 Mo.) | FY 2012 | FY 2013 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

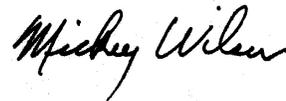
The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
School Districts

Parkway
Special School District of St Louis County
Fair Grove
Francis Howell
Blue Springs



Mickey Wilson, CPA
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