

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 440 - 1

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Measure Description:

Directs Department of Education to prepare list related to high-wage and high-demand jobs in state, distribute list to school districts and award grants to school districts to ensure list is distributed to students in grades 9 through 12.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Employment Department, Department of Education, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, School Districts

Analysis:

The bill, as amended, directs the Department of Education (ODE), in consultation with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) and the Employment Department, State Workforce Investment Board, to annually distribute to school districts, information related to high-wage/high demand jobs. ODE is also directed to award grants to school districts to cover costs associated with distributing the information to students in grades 9 through 12. The bill appropriates \$5 million General Fund (GF) to ODE in the 2017-19 biennium for the purpose of implementing the provisions of the bill.

ODE proposes the need for two permanent positions (0.50 FTE) to collaborate with designated state agencies, prepare and distribute information to school districts, and to manage the grant awards and the associated accounting. ODE would contract with a graphic designer to prepare finalized materials for distribution which is estimated to cost \$23,000 per biennium. The Legislative Fiscal Office will prepare further analysis to determine the necessity for these positions and the appropriate FTE and seasonal/temporary position designation.

It is assumed that the agency will use funds from the \$5 million GF appropriation to pay for these proposed costs and the remaining funds will be distributed as grants to school districts in the 2017-19 biennium. Cost estimates in future biennia will vary based on the total amount appropriated. Costs to the HECC and Employment Department are anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgetary parameters. A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

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