

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION****Measure: SB 281**

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**Measure Description:**

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Education for purposes of conducting comprehensive review of and updating Quality Education Model.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Education

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

<b>Department of Education</b>		
<b>General Fund</b>		
Personal Services	\$100,569	\$0
Services and Supplies	\$204,813	\$0
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$305,382</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>\$305,382</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<i>Total Positions</i>	1	0
<i>Total FTE</i>	0.44	0.00

**Analysis:**

Senate Bill 281 appropriates an unspecified amount of General Fund to the Department of Education (ODE) in the 2023-25 biennium for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of and updating the methodology used to produce the Quality Education Model (QEM) report. The measure takes effect on July 1, 2023.

The measure adds new responsibilities in the comprehensive evaluation and formulation of a new QEM. ODE would need one limited duration, part-time Project Manager 2 position (0.44 FTE) to implement new compliance processes, provide technical assistance, and manage and implement various stages of this project.

In addition, this project will require ODE to contract with an external consultant to canvas available research literature, develop a plan for reviewing the current QEM, facilitate meetings to review any recommendations for the Quality Education Commission to consider, and publish a final report. ODE estimates the cost of a one-year contract with a qualified consulting firm to be \$185,000.

In total, the estimated fiscal impact to ODE is \$305,382 General Fund in the 2023-25 biennium.

The measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its impact to the State’s General Fund and ODE’s biennial budget.