

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2139-01  
Bill No.: Truly Agreed and Finally Passed SB 575  
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary: School Accountability Report Card  
Type: Original  
Date: May 7, 2001

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS                                 |            |            |            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED                                                       | FY 2002    | FY 2003    | FY 2004    |
|                                                                     |            |            |            |
|                                                                     |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on <u>All</u><br/>State Funds</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS                                 |            |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED                                                         | FY 2002    | FY 2003    | FY 2004    |
|                                                                       |            |            |            |
|                                                                       |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on <u>All</u><br/>Federal Funds</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS |                  |                  |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| FUND AFFECTED                       | FY 2002          | FY 2003          | FY 2004          |
| <b>Local Government</b>             | <b>(Unknown)</b> | <b>(Unknown)</b> | <b>(Unknown)</b> |

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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### ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** stated that they would develop a standard form for school accountability report cards with existing resources.

They noted that school districts currently report per-pupil expenditures for the district as-a - whole and for each building in a district which has pupils at the same grade level as another building in the district. Therefore some schools are not be affected by the requirement to report building level expenditures. The proposal would require school districts to report average per-pupil expenditures by attendance center as reported to the Department. Depending on the record keeping system a district would have in place and the level of record keeping currently practiced, this requirement could be a significant additional cost to school districts.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>         | FY 2002<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2003          | FY 2004          |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                                 | <u>\$0</u>          | <u>\$0</u>       | <u>\$0</u>       |
| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>         | FY 2002<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2003          | FY 2004          |
| <b>SCHOOL DISTRICTS</b>                         |                     |                  |                  |
| <u>Cost</u> - Additional Reporting Requirements | (Unknown)           | (Unknown)        | (Unknown)        |
| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS</b> | <u>(Unknown)</u>    | <u>(Unknown)</u> | <u>(Unknown)</u> |

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

### DESCRIPTION

This proposal would require school districts to provide, at least yearly, a school accountability report card for each school building to any household with a student enrolled in a district.

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education would develop a standard form for the school accountability report card. Current law requires the department to develop multiple reporting models.

### DESCRIPTION (continued)

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not

require additional capital improvements or rental space. The proposal would not affect Total State Revenue.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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May 7, 2001