



Senate

General Assembly

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File No. 482

Senate Bill No. 131

Senate, April 10, 2000

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. CRISCO of the 17th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning Charter School Expenditures.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-66ee of the general statutes, as
2 amended by section 6 of public act 99-289, is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (c) (1) The state shall, annually, pay in accordance with this
5 subsection, to the fiscal authority for a state charter school, [an amount
6 equal to one hundred ten and three-tenths per cent of the foundation
7 level pursuant to subdivision (9) of section 10-262f] seven thousand
8 dollars for each student enrolled in such school. Such payments shall
9 be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than
10 July fifteenth and September fifteenth based on estimated student
11 enrolment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of the amount not
12 later than January fifteenth and the remaining amount not later than
13 April fifteenth, each based on student enrolment on October first. (2) In
14 the case of a student identified as requiring special education, the

15 school district in which the student resides shall: (A) Hold the
16 planning and placement team meeting for such student and shall
17 invite representatives from the charter school to participate in such
18 meeting; and (B) pay the state charter school an amount equal to the
19 difference between the reasonable cost of educating such student and
20 the sum of the amount received by the state charter school for such
21 student pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and amounts
22 received from other state, federal, local or private sources calculated on
23 a per pupil basis. Such school district shall be eligible for
24 reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g. The charter school a
25 student requiring special education attends shall be responsible for
26 ensuring that such student receives the services mandated by the
27 student's individualized education program whether such services are
28 provided by the charter school or by the school district in which the
29 student resides.

30 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

ED Committee Vote: Yea 31 Nay 0 JF C/R APP

APP Committee Vote: Yea 50 Nay 0 JF

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: Cost

Affected Agencies: Department of Education

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation**State Impact:**

This bill increases the per student grant for charter schools from the current 110.3% of the ECS foundation or \$6,498 to \$7,000. This results in a cost of approximately \$1.0 million, funds for which have been included in the House version of the FY 01 budget. No funds are included for this purpose in the Senate version of the FY 01 budget.

OLR Bill Analysis

SB 131

AN ACT CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

SUMMARY:

This bill changes the annual, state per-student grant for students attending state charter schools from 110.3% of the Education Cost Sharing (ECS) foundation amount to a flat \$7,000. The effect is to increase the grant by \$502 per student.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2000

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 31 Nay 0

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 50 Nay 0