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**OLR Bill Analysis**

**HB 5336**

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF THE STATE EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTER.***

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires that for FY 19, and each following year, the State Education Resource Center (SERC) budget must be a separate budgeted agency from the State Department of Education (SDE). Currently, SERC does not have a line item in the budget.

By law and unchanged by the bill SERC is a quasi-public agency under the control of a board of directors and the education commissioner is authorized to allocate funds to SERC to provide (1) professional development services, (2) technical assistance and evaluation activities, and (3) policy analysis and other assistance to local and regional boards of education, SDE, and other educational entities and providers (CGS §§ 10-357a and -357e).

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2018

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Education Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 36 Nay 0 (03/19/2018)