



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5336

House of Representatives, April 9, 2018

The Committee on Education reported through REP. FLEISCHMANN of the 18th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

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

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2018*) For the fiscal year ending
2 June 30, 2019, and each fiscal year thereafter, the budget for the State
3 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-357a of
4 the general statutes, shall be a separate budgeted agency from the
5 Department of Education.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2018</i>	New section
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ED *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which 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), does not result in a fiscal impact as SERC does not receive a state appropriation and is not a line item within SDE.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

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)