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HB-7113

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION ISSUES. AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 20 \$	FY 21 \$
Education, Dept.	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 20 \$	FY 21 \$
Local and Regional School Districts	Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below
Local and Regional School Districts	STATE MANDATE ¹ - Cost	Less than 5,000	Less than 5,000

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact.

The amendment permits a non-Sheff magnet school that is not in compliance with the state's enrollment requirements for minority students to continue to be eligible for magnet school operating grants. Absent this provision, the State Department of Education (SDE) would

¹ State mandate is defined in Sec. 2-32b(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes, "state mandate" means any state initiated constitutional, statutory or executive action that requires a local government to establish, expand or modify its activities in such a way as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues.

not have been able to pay out the full amount of New Haven's magnet school payment, which is approximately \$32 million. The \$32 million is not a new cost to SDE and has been factored into current services; the provision allows New Haven to receive the payment, which results in significant revenue gain to the city.

Additionally, the amendment adds climate change to public schools' required program of instruction. This results in a state mandate and additional cost to any local or regional school district that has not adopted climate change as part of their curriculum. There are no costs associated with curriculum development, as the curriculum is available to boards of education. However, districts could incur costs associated with printing and disseminating new materials. It is anticipated that these costs will be less than \$5,000 per district.

The amendment makes other various procedural, technical and clarifying changes that do not result in a fiscal impact.

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