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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6837

BILL NUMBER: SB 211

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 8, 2024

BILL AMENDED: Mar 8, 2024

SUBJECT: Excellence in Civic Engagement Designation and School Meetings.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Raatz

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Behning

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Department of Education (DOE), in collaboration with the Commission for Higher Education and subject to the approval of the State Board, to establish an excellence in civic engagement designation. The bill requires DOE to develop recommendations for an excellence in civics education designation for schools. It provides that the public hearing required before a school employer and school employee may privately negotiate certain matters may take place at a regular or special meeting of the school's governing body.

Effective Date: July 1, 2024.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Beginning in FY 2025, provisions in the bill require the DOE to collaborate with the Commission for Higher Education to establish an excellence in civic engagement designation. The designation can be awarded to certain high school students beginning with the 2029 graduation cohort, and DOE will also develop recommendations by December 1, 2024, to award the designation to certain schools. The bill's requirements are within the agencies' routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Education; Commission for Higher Education.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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