COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION 2024 REGULAR SESSION

MEASURE

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HOUSE BILL NUMBER 720

TITLE AN ACT establishing the Adult Workforce Diploma and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSOR Representative Steven Bratcher

FISCAL SUMMARY
STATE FISCAL IMPACT: 🛛 YES 🗌 NO 🔲 UNCERTAIN
OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ☐ ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS ☐ LOCAL MANDATE ☐ CORRECTIONS IMPACT ☐ HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE
APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: <u>Learning and Results Services</u>
FUND(S) IMPACTED: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED Adult Workforce Diploma Fund

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES			Indeterminable	Indeterminable
NET EFFECT			(Indeterminable)	(Indeterminable)

^() indicates a decrease/negative

PURPOSE OF MEASURE: The measure creates the Adult Workforce Diploma Pilot Program within the Kentucky Department of Education to help adult learners, defined as students who are at least 21 years of age, earn high school credits, high school diplomas, and industry-specific certifications and credentials.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The Department of Education would use the newly created Adult Workforce Diploma Fund, which has not been appropriated any funding, to reimburse educational program providers between \$250 and \$1,000 per academic credit, depending upon which credit is earned. The Department would also be responsible for approving academic providers and ensuring they meet minimum criteria to continue participating in the program. Since the number of providers and adult students is not known, the overall fiscal impact is indeterminable.

DATA SOURCE(S): LRC Staff

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