# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2756S.01I Bill No.: SB 582

Subject: Disabilities; Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of; Employees -

**Employers** 

Type: Original

Date: March 23, 2021

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to wages paid by sheltered

workshops.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on General					
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on Other State					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	ND AFFECTED FY 2022 FY 2023 FY 202					
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>						
Effect on All Federal						
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0			

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

☐ Estimate	d Net Effect	(expenditures of	or reduced reve	nues) exped	cted to exceed	1 \$250,000 in any
of the th	ree fiscal yea	rs after implem	nentation of the	act or at fu	ll implementa	ation of the act.

☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of
the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED FY 2022 FY 2023 FY 202					
Local Government \$0 \$0 \$0					

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Upon further inquiry, **DESE** stated the state aid distributed to shelter workshops is not based on the wages paid to disabled workers. Therefore, this proposal does not change the state distribution to sheltered workshops. Oversight notes DESE has paid an average of \$23,954,571 (General Revenue) per year for Sheltered Workshops

**Oversight** assumes the sheltered workshops determine the wages paid to disabled workers. This proposal could change the amount paid to disabled persons working in sheltered workshops if the calculation of commensurate wage is different than current practice. Oversight notes per section 178.900, RSMo, sheltered workshops are operated by not-for-profit corporations. Therefore, Oversight will show a potential impact to small businesses.

FISCAL IMPACT –	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
State Government	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT –	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Local Government	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

# FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Oversight assumes this proposal could change the amount paid to disabled persons working in sheltered workshops if the calculation of commensurate wage is different than current practice.

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

In order to prevent the curtailment of employment opportunities for disabled persons working at sheltered workshops, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education shall permit sheltered workshops to pay such disabled persons commensurate wages, defined as wages based on the disabled person's productivity in proportion to the productivity of an experienced non-

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disabled person in a similar job and that may be lower than the state minimum wage. The sheltered workshop shall provide written assurance to the Department that such wages shall be reviewed and adjusted periodically and no sheltered workshop shall be permitted to reduce the agreed-upon wage rate for a period of two years after approval without prior authorization from the Department.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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