

**FISCAL NOTE**  
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *</b>				
	<b>FY 2007-08</b>		<b>FY 2008-09</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

\*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 651 amends and clarifies various provisions of current law relating to schools and education. The bill does not appear to have a fiscal impact for the state. The following provisions of the bill may have a fiscal impact for school districts.

Section 16 changes the length of time that a school board, after a vote of its patrons, may contract for the instruction of all or part of its pupils from three to two years. The bill also requires the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts to dissolve and attach a district to another district or districts if instruction has been contracted for two years, rather than the five currently allowed in statute. These provisions may result in consolidations of school districts. Any change in school district boundaries will impact the revenues and expenditures of affected districts.

Section 19 changes current law relating to the free transportation of students who live more than four miles from school. The bill adds an additional category for transportation entitled "partially free transportation". The new language provides for schools to pay an allowance to a student's parent for the miles traveled to and from a location where a student is picked up and dropped off in order to access free transportation, when the distance is greater than three miles. It is assumed the provision will be cost neutral to schools opting to pay parents rather than to provide a route to the residence of a student. However, the actual fiscal impact will depend upon decisions made by local schools.

Sections 20 and 21 have no fiscal impact because they contain the provisions of LB 150 which has been passed by the 2007 Legislature. These sections increase the fees paid for teacher and administrator certificates and permits.