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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *

	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
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 522 is the High Performance Green Schools Transparency Act. On or before July 1, 2012, school districts are required to generate and maintain an up-to-date Energy Star efficiency rating on each of the school district's buildings using the Environmental Protection Agency's free online Portfolio Manager tool. The ratings are to be reported to the State Department of Education (NDE) within six months and the department is to publish and maintain the results on its web site.

NDE will have a workload increase to collect, maintain, and publish the required information. The department indicates any workload increase and expenses associated with the bill can be handled with existing staff and resources. Likewise, it is assumed that school districts will incur a workload increase and possible increased expenses to generate and maintain building efficiency ratings. It is assumed any increased expenditures will be minimal for schools.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS			
DEPT. OF EDUCATION -- There will likely be a small cost to each school district, which will increase general fund operating expenditures (GFOE), and generally promote an increase to TEEOSA formula need.			

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: NDE/School Finance & Organization Services

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

Explanation of Estimate:

This bill creates the High Performance Green Schools Transparency Act. On or before July 1, 2012, each school district shall generate and maintain an up-to-date Energy Star efficiency rating for each school building within the school district. School districts may use the Environmental Protection Agency's free online tool called Portfolio Manager. School districts will report the results of this rating to the Department of Education by December 1, 2012. The Department of Education will publish and maintain the results of each school district on its website.

Fiscal Impact:

There would be no fiscal impact to NDE.

There may be costs to school districts to generate and maintain this efficiency rating. A specific dollar amount is unknown at this time.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURES

Personal Services:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2011-12	2012-13
	11-12	12-13	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefit				
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			0	0