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Fiscal Note

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Requires parents or others having control of a child entering kindergarten to submit certification that the child has been administered a vision screening

Present law requires each city and parish school system to require every child entering kindergarten for the first time be given a nationally recognized readiness screening. Such test shall include the capacity to measure a student's proficiency in vision and hearing using the present vision and hearing screening programs. Proposed law requires present law to be applicable through the 2005-2006 school year. When a child enters kindergarten for the first time a child's parent, tutor, or other person having control or charge of the child shall submit certification that the child has been administered a vision screening conducted by persons trained in vision screening techniques. Such provision is applicable beginning with the 2006-2007 school year and thereafter.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The legislation merely requires the child's parent or person having control of the child to have a vision screening conducted when the child enters kindergarten for the first time.

R.S. 17:2112 also requires every city, parish, and other local school system to test the sight and hearing of each student in accordance with the schedule established by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Such schedule requires testing for all children in Pre-K, K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th grade.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

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House

13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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