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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6995

BILL NUMBER: HB 1338

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 23, 2006

BILL AMENDED: Feb 23, 2006

SUBJECT: School Improvement Progress and Awards.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Harris T

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Lubbers

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) *School Improvement Award Program*- The bill establishes additional criteria for determining a school's improvement compared with the school's performance in previous years. The bill provides a graduated series of awards based on improvement. The bill repeals certain prohibitions on the use of performance based awards.

CPR and Heimlich Maneuver- The bill requires training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the Heimlich maneuver to obtain an initial license as a teacher. The bill establishes immunity from liability for an act or omission by a teacher who has obtained a license and been trained in CPR.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *School Improvement Award Program*- The Department of Education's current level of resources should be adequate to administer the School Improvement Award Program (SIAP).

Under the bill, the Department would be allowed to use gifts and grants to provide funding for the SIAP. The bill would also allow the SIAP to receive appropriations from the General Assembly. Monetary awards given under the proposed program would depend on the source and amount of funds that would be received by the program. The Department would determine the award amounts. Barring reception of donations, new grants, or use of existing grants, the source of funds for awards would depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

Background Department of Education- As of October 4, 2005, the Department of Education had 295

full-time, four part-time, 11 intermittent employees, and six employees on leave. The Department reverted \$0.9 M in FY 2005.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: *School Improvement Award Program-* Under the bill, schools would be eligible for the following awards:

- (1) Grants to certified employees for professional development,
- (2) School programs to increase parental involvement,
- (3) Enhanced curriculum or instruction.

To determine eligibility for an award, schools would be graded on improvement in performance factors including:

- (1) ISTEP scores (with each of the following categories compared as separate performance factor: minority groups, high achievement, limited English proficiency, and students qualifying for free/reduced price lunch.)
- (2) For high schools: graduation rates.

Schools could receive varying awards based on improvements in graduation and the individual ISTEP categories listed above.

State Agencies Affected: Department of Education.

Local Agencies Affected: Local schools.

Information Sources: *State of Indiana HRM Detail Staffing Report, October 4, 2005;* State Budget Agency: *FY2005 General and Rainy Day Fund Summaries;* Department of Education SAS DATABASES.

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