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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6803**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1288

**NOTE PREPARED:** Mar 22, 2007

**BILL AMENDED:** Mar 22, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Truancy and School Attendance Officers.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Harris E

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Lubbers

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 2<sup>nd</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
 **DEDICATED**  
 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) The bill requests the Legislative Council to establish a study committee for the 2007 interim concerning school truancy and the role of attendance officers.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2007.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) *Summary-* The impact of the bill on state expenditures would depend on action taken by the Legislative Council.

*Background:* The Legislative Council sets the budget for interim study committees. Authorized expenses of interim study committees are paid from the state General Fund via appropriation to the Legislative Council. Under the most recent Legislative Council Resolution, a committee with less than 16 members received an operating budget of \$9,500. A committee with at least 16 members received an operating budget of \$16,500.

Department of Education- The Department of Education currently collects data from schools for unexcused absences. Therefore, the Department would be able to report truancy information within their existing level of resources.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Legislative Council; Department of Education.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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