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sHB-7013 AN ACT CONCERNING ENHANCEMENTS TO THE LOCAL FOOD FOR SCHOOLS INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Various Local and Regional	See Below	See Below	See Below
School Boards			

Explanation

The bill expands Local Food for Schools Incentive Program eligibility to include child care providers and requires at least 20% of the annual appropriation for the program be used to engage with external partners for supplemental services. These changes may alter the distribution of the grant awards received by various local and regional school boards, beginning in FY 26.

The bill also transfers administration for this program from the Department of Agriculture to the State Department of Education (SDE) and requires SDE to hire one full time employee to administer the program in FY 26. This does not have a fiscal impact to the state as SDE previously received budgeted funding and a position for this role, beginning in FY 24.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to applications for the program.