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HB-7163

AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY GRANTS TO
MUNICIPALITIES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION.

AMENDMENT

LCO No.: 5984

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: See Below

Municipal Impact: See Below

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact. The amendment appropriates an additional \$108.2 million in FY 25 to the State Department of Education for Excess Cost. The Excess Cost grant reimburses local and regional boards of education for eligible special education expenses. The current FY 25 appropriation is approximately \$181.1 million. The additional funding provided by the amendment is approximately the amount required (beyond the current appropriation) to fully fund the grant. It is likely that the total Excess Cost eligible expenses, and therefore the full funding amount, will increase when additional data are available this spring.

The amendment results in a corresponding revenue gain to local and regional boards of education of \$108.2 million in FY 25. The revenue gain to a board of education will depend on its reimbursement tier and the amount of eligible expenditures.

The amendment results in the budget being under the spending cap by approximately \$58.9 million in FY 25.

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