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HB-5280

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF BILINGUAL
EDUCATION IN CONNECTICUT.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Education, Dept.	GF - Cost	1,916,130	1,916,130
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Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Various Local and Regional School Districts	Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill increases the appropriation for the bilingual education grant by \$1,916,130, which doubles the grant. This additional funding is included in the Appropriations Committee Budget FY 23 Midterm Adjustments. The bill also requires SDE to administer a dual language seed grant program that provides grants to local and regional boards of education for the purpose of establishing new or expanding existing dual language programs. This results in an additional cost to the state, as SDE does not have funds available for this program. The scope of the additional costs would be dependent upon the same of the grant and the number of grants awarded.

Correspondingly, the bill results in a revenue gain to various local and regional school districts that qualify for either the bilingual

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education grant or the new dual language grant. In FY 22, approximately twenty-two school districts received a bilingual education grant, ranging from under \$1,000 to over \$175,000.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future.