

FISCAL NOTE

October 31, 2019

Bill No:	HB 796	Printer's No:	875	Sponsor:	Solomon (D)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2018-19	2019-20
General Fund- Appropriation TBD	See "FISCAL IMPACT"	See "FISCAL IMPACT"

SUMMARY: This bill establishes the Schools-to-Work Program.

ANALYSIS: HB 796 creates the Schools-to-Work Program in the Department of Labor and Industry to distribute competitive grants to schools to support the establishment and enhancement of local business partnerships, with the goal of filling current and anticipated employer needs.

To apply for a grant, schools must submit a grant proposal as delineated in the bill to partner with one or more businesses for work-based learning opportunities, identification of necessary qualifications and certifications, identification of needed personnel, and creating curricula that will lead to jobs with participating businesses. Participating partnerships shall execute a memorandum of understanding outlining the responsibilities of participants as defined in the bill. Participating schools shall also report data related to the program and an annual report to the Department.

An application shall be prioritized if it demonstrates a strong need for career and technical instructors, provides internships or apprenticeships for students in ninth through twelfth grades, indicates intent of the participating business to hire students upon graduation, involves multiple schools and businesses, or demonstrates additional resources that will be used as matching support.

The act shall take effect in 60 days and expire June 30, 2024, or five years after the effective date- whichever is later.

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal impact of this bill is contingent on funds being appropriated for the program in each fiscal year's enacted budget. The Department will need one additional employee to administer this grant program at an annual cost of \$100,000 in salary and benefits. Per the bill's stipulation, this cost will be paid out from the total amount of funds administered for the grant program.