

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6452

BILL NUMBER: SB 88

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SUBJECT: Education Matters.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) *Classroom Instruction*: This bill amends good citizenship instruction requirements.

Classic Learning Test: This bill includes the Classic Learning Test in certain references to nationally recognized college entrance examinations. It requires a state educational institution (SEI) to accept the Classic Learning Test examination to the same extent the SEI accepts the ACT or SAT examination with respect to admission criteria.

Exams: The bill requires the Department of Education to identify schools that allow students who are not enrolled in the school to take certain examinations at the school and present the information in a manner that can be conveniently and easily accessed from the department's website.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Classic Learning Test*: The bill requires the State Board of Education to include the Classic Learning Test in its college and career readiness education standards. This should be implemented with existing staffing and resources levels.

(Revised) *Exams*: The bill requires the Department of Education to identify, and report on its website, schools that allow students who are not enrolled in the school to take the following exams:

- A. Advanced placement examinations.
- B. The PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.
- C. The SAT.
- D. The ACT.
- E. The Classic Learning Test.
- F. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.

This workload increase would be completed with existing staff and resources.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Classroom Instruction:* The bill's changes to existing curriculum should not increase school expenditures, but may cause schools to adjust the amount of time spent on other areas of instruction. A short-term workload increase is also likely as schools adjust curricula in order to meet the requirements of the bill. The bill's requirements should be implemented with no additional appropriations.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Board of Education; state educational institutions; Department of Education.

Local Agencies Affected: Public schools.

Information Sources:

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