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Bill Title: Relating to the funding of public education.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Education, School Districts

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2023-25 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Education	\$150,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$150,000,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$150,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$150,000,000	-	-

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
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Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

HB 4068 - A expands the use of the High Cost Disabilities Account by authorizing the Department of Education (ODE) to make distributions to school districts that have high special education costs due to community need. The measure appropriates \$150 million General Fund to ODE in the 2023-25 biennium to cover the added distributions to school districts based on community need, which will commence with the 2024-25 distributions.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact is estimated to be \$150 million General Fund to ODE in the 2023-25 biennium.

Department of Education

Aside from the \$150 million General Fund appropriation, the fiscal impact to ODE is anticipated to be minimal. The agency should be able to absorb the increase in workload with existing budgetary resources. It also worth noting that ODE will need an increase in Other Funds expenditure limitation to distribute funds from the High Cost Disabilities Account.

School Districts

The fiscal impact to school districts is anticipated to be minimal. School districts will be able to apply for distributions from the High Cost Disabilities Account based on community need, and they should be able to absorb any associated increase in workload. School districts that are eligible for distribution of moneys from the account based on community need would thus receive additional funding for providing special education and related services.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect on July 1, 2024.