

HB 3624 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires education service districts to reimburse parents or guardians of homeschooled students for fees incurred for required examinations.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces the measure. Requires each Education Service District to select an approved examination for homeschooled children and provide for the administration of the examination at least three times each year at no cost to parents or legal guardians. Allows parents and legal guardians to select either the provided examination or a different approved examination.

BACKGROUND:

Current law allows children to be withdrawn from public school if they are being educated in the home by a parent or legal guardian. Parents or guardians who choose to homeschool are required to notify their local education service district in writing, and must provide for a comprehensive examination of their children in grades 3, 5, 8, and 10.