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Fiscal Note

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SF2306 - 0 - Postsecondary Student Basic Needs Working Group

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	44	-	-	-	-
Total	-	44	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			44			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	.25	-	-	-
Total	-	.25	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

This fiscal note was revised to reflect a more accurate understanding of the work required by the agency

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2 Dollars in Thousands	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	44	-	-	-
Total	-	44	-	-	-
Biennial Total			44		-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*					
General Fund	-	44	-	-	-
Total	-	44	-	-	-
Biennial Total			44		-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-		-

Bill Description

S.F. No. 2306 directs OHE to convene a working group to assess the basic needs of college students and make recommendations on strategies for the state to consider is addressing those needs.

Section 1, Subdivision 1 instructs the Office of Higher Education to convene a working group by September 1, 2023 and specifies the members to be invited.

Section 1, Subdivision 2 outlines the duties of the working group and scope of the recommendations that may be included in the group's report.

Section 1, Subdivision 3 mandates that a report be written and sent to the higher education committees by September 1, 2024.

Section 2 appropriates an unspecified one-time appropriation in FY2024 to provide stipends to students who participate in the working group

Assumptions

The working group established under S.F.2306 and its duties, expands current work undertaken by the Office of Higher Education in partnership with institutions. S.F. 2306 outlines a more formalized process for which the work to occur. The Office of Higher Education assumes that staff time will be required for the convening of the working group, managing the activities of the working group, and creating the mandated report for this work.

OHE assumes the following activities are required to initially develop and lead the working group:

The Office of Higher Education assumes that the working will meet 18 times over 12 months using remote meeting technology. OHE anticipates that the working group will include 5 students per meeting depending on availability.

Given the critical and complex nature of basic needs insecurity among college students, the Office also anticipates the need for national expertise in this area from other states, postsecondary systems outside of Minnesota, and national experts, and therefore requests \$10,000 in expenses related to professional consultation or assistance in areas chosen by members of the working group.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

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Expense	FY2024	FY2025	FY2024-2025
OHE staff	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
Student Stipends	\$3,150	\$0	\$3,150
Professional consultation	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Supplies and meeting related expenses	\$850	\$0	\$850
Total	\$44,000	\$0	\$44,000

The Office estimates 0.25 FTE for a position of State Program Administrator Principal to convene and lead the working group over the period of the legislation.

The Office shall provide stipends of \$35 per student per meeting. Total cost for student stipends would be: 5 students x 18 meetings x \$35 = \$3,150

The Office assumes \$10,000 for professional consultation in areas chosen by members of the working group.

Supplies and other meeting expenses are assumed to be \$850 based on prior working groups led by the Office.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

None

Local Fiscal Impact

None

References/Sources

None

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