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Fiscal Note

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S.117 – An act relating to teen parent education program funding **As introduced¹**

Bill Summary

This bill would increase the amount that teen parent education programs receive from the pupil's school district of residence from 83 percent of the prior year's statewide average net cost per pupil without debt to 100 percent of the prior year's statewide average net cost per pupil without debt. The bill would also eliminate the requirement that a sending school district reimburse a receiving school for the cost of coordinating a pregnant or parenting pupil's education plan at the teen parent education program.

Fiscal Impact

JFO estimates this bill would result in an increased cost of approximately \$130,000 to the Education Fund in fiscal year 2024, which would be a *de minimis* impact.

Details and analysis

With the increase from 83% of the statewide average net cost per pupil (without debt) to 100%, JFO estimates this bill would result in an increased cost of approximately of \$150,000 to the Education Fund which would be a De Minimis impact

Based on data from AOE, the average number of pupils in teen parent education programs is 44 per year. JFO assumes the average number of students in teen parent education programs would not increase due to the passage of the bill. As the fiscal impact directly corresponds with the number of pupils and the statewide average net cost per pupil, an increase in the number of pupils or the statewide average net cost per pupil would result in an increase of the fiscal impact.

¹ <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2024/Docs/BILLS/S-0117/S-0117%20As%20Introduced.pdf>