New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Fiscal Note Quick Guide

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SB 318, relative to donations to the education tax credit program.

Senate Ways & Means

This proposed legislation extends the Education Tax Credit program to donations to public school organization, including workforce development programs. It also amends RSA 77-G:1 to create an Education Tax Credit Management Commissions as well as a Public school donation program administrator.

It amends RSA 77-G:1, XVII(d) to require the management commission, and not the Department of Revenue, to approve scholarship organization for purposes of issuing private school and home school scholarships. (See Section D).

It also creates a Public School Grant Program which allows public school organizations to be eligible to receive donations. This program is overseen by the Education Tax Credit Management Commission and administered by the public school donation program administrator.

The fiscal impact is indeterminable. By expanding the Education Tax Credit Program to allow donations to public school organization including the Workforce Development Program and Workforce Development Program Grants, may expand the amount of donations made by businesses and individuals that contribute to the program. However, the increase in donations and tax credits cannot exceed the current cap on the program of \$6,000,000 in donations and \$5,100,000 in tax credits per a program year.

Lastly, the department would like to note that the proposed RSA 77-G:1, XVII(d) contradicts current RSA 77-G:5, II(a), by which a scholarship organization applies to the Department of Revenue for approval.