



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

Bill information:

HB0818 - Generally revise laws related to funding for school facilities (Reksten, Linda)

Status: As Introduced

- Significant Local Gov Impact
 Needs to be included in HB 2
 Technical Concerns
 Included in the Executive Budget
 Significant Long-Term Impacts
 Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2025</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact: HB 818 consolidates the state Major Maintenance Aid state special revenue account with the School Facility and Technology state special revenue account and prioritizes the funding for various programs. The K-12 Natural Resource Development payment will be changed to a general fund transfer to the School Facility and Technology state special revenue account from the current general fund appropriation. HB 818 creates a statutory appropriation for distribution of School Facility and Technology account funds to school districts. There is no change in state funding related to HB 818.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:**Office of Public Instruction**

- HB 818 eliminates the School Major Maintenance aid state special revenue account in 20-9-525, MCA, and directs funding that did go to that account to the School Facility and Technology state special revenue account in 20-9-516, MCA, and statutorily prioritizes and appropriates the funding.
- These distributions include in priority order the following:
 - school technology aid \$1 million annually
 - school major maintenance aid up to \$15 million annually
 - state debt service assistance up to \$15 million annually

3. School Facility and Technology account deposits currently include timber harvest revenues and certain state land and riverbed revenues. HB 818 changes language to include coal severance tax trust fund interest revenue under section 17-5-703, MCA, and the natural resource development K-12 school facilities general fund transfer payment under section 20-9-635, MCA to be deposited to the school facility and technology account.
4. The bill repeals 20-9-534, MCA, which defined a statutory \$1.0 million appropriation to be distributed to K-12 public schools for school technology purposes. Section 6 of HB 818 is amended to include that statutory payment language to stipulate that the school technology payment is to be distributed by the last working day of August.
5. The OPI has determined that there is no fiscal impact associated with the implementation of HB 818.

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Sponsor's Initials

3/10/23

Date

RD

Budget Director's Initials

3-8-23

Date