

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Patron** Stephen H. Martin

2. **Bill Number** SB 392

3. **Committee** Senate Finance

House of Origin:

 X **Introduced**

 Substitute

 Engrossed

4. **Title** Retail Sales and Use Tax Exemption; Sales of Textbooks by For Profit Schools

Second House:

 In Committee

 Substitute

 Enrolled

5. **Summary/Purpose:**

This bill would extend the current sales and use tax exemption on sales of school textbooks to include students who attend for-profit institutions of learning.

Under current law, a sales and use tax exemption is available for purchases of school textbooks sold by a local school board or authorized agency thereof, and school textbooks for use by students attending nonprofit colleges and other nonprofit institutions of learning.

The effective date of this bill is not specified.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary. (See Line 8.)

6b. **Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2007-08	\$0	GF
	\$0	TTF
	\$0	Local
2008-09	(\$259,000)	GF
	(\$ 38,000)	TTF
	(\$ 76,000)	Local
2009-10	(\$288,000)	GF
	(\$ 42,000)	TTF
	(\$ 84,000)	Local
2010-11	(\$294,000)	GF
	(\$ 43,000)	TTF
	(\$ 86,000)	Local

2011-12	(\$300,000)	GF
	(\$ 44,000)	TTF
	(\$ 88,000)	Local
2012-13	(\$306,000)	GF
	(\$ 45,000)	TTF
	(\$ 89,000)	Local
2013-14	(\$312,000)	GF
	(\$ 46,000)	TTF
	(\$ 91,000)	Local

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes.

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8. Fiscal implications:

Administrative Costs Impact

TAX has not assigned any administrative costs to this proposal because the changes required by a single bill such as this can be implemented as part of the annual changes to our systems and forms. As stand-alone legislation, TAX considers implementation of this bill as “routine,” and does not require additional funding.

TAX will provide specific administrative costs on any legislation that is not “routine.” Additionally, TAX will review all state tax legislation likely to be enacted prior to the passage by each house. If the aggregate number of routine bills likely to pass either house is unusually large, it is possible that additional resources will be required. If so, TAX will identify the costs at that time.

Revenue Impact

The sales tax exemption proposed in this bill is estimated to reduce revenues by \$373,000 in FY 2009, \$414,000 in FY 2010, \$423,000 in FY 2011, \$432,000 in FY 2012, \$440,000 in FY 2013, and \$449,000 in FY 2014.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

TAX

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments:

Generally

Under current law, an exemption is available for school textbooks that are sold by a local school board or authorized agency thereof or sold for use by students attending a nonprofit college or other institution of learning, provided such textbooks are sold: 1) by that institution of learning; or 2) by any other dealer, when the textbooks have been certified by a department or instructor of such institution of learning as a required textbook for students attending courses at such institution. The exemption does not include other required school supply items, such as personal computers and software programs, but is limited to the plain meaning of textbooks.

Proposal

Under the provisions of this bill, textbooks sold for use by students attending any college or other institution of learning, regardless of nonprofit status, would be eligible for a retail sales and use tax exemption provided such textbooks are sold: 1) by that institution of learning; or 2) by any other dealer, when the textbooks have been certified by a department or instructor of such institution of learning as a required textbook for students attending courses at such institution.

Similar Legislation

House Bill 1326 is substantively identical to this bill.

cc : Secretary of Finance

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