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LB 231

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Revised on 2/27/07 to correct a reference to sick leave.

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2007-08		FY 2008-09	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 231 transfers the operations of the Early Childhood Training Center from the jurisdiction of educational service unit #3 to the State Department of Education (NDE) on September 1, 2007. The bill provides for the employees of the center to become state employees. Employees are allowed to transfer all accrued sick leave and a maximum of 280 hours of accrued vacation leave.

The budget request submitted by NDE includes a budget adjustment to assume operation of the center. Staff and programs provided by the training center are currently funded by NDE with federal grant funds and a minimal amount of general funds through contracts with the ESU. The total budget for the training center is about \$1.5 million. A little over 90% of the funding is from federal funds. Twelve staff positions will become state employees.

The bill is revenue neutral to the state. General and federal funds that are currently used to operate the center are appropriated to NDE in Program 158 – Education Aid. The appropriation of these funds to operate the center will shift to Program 25 – Education, Administration and Support. The remainder of the budget for the center that is federal grants will continue to be shown as federal aid in Program 158.