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**LB 937** 

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## **FISCAL NOTE**

Revised on 3/3/10 based upon amendments adopted through 3/2/10.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2010-11		FY 2011-12	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

<sup>\*</sup>Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 937 repeals provisions providing for the payment of a per diem to members of a learning community coordinating council who are elected or appointed after the effective date of the bill. Current law provides for members to be paid a per diem up to \$200 per day for official meetings of the council and the achievement subcouncil up to a maximum of \$12,000 per fiscal year. Learning community coordinating councils consist of 18 members, 12 elected and 6 appointed. The bill has an emergency clause.

There is currently one learning community in the state. If each of the 18 learning community coordinating council members received the maximum per diem allowed by law, annual per diems would total \$216,000. The learning community is appropriated state aid in the amount of \$1,000,000 of general funds in 2009-10. The learning community also receives \$1,628,071 of state aid for operations through the aid formula for educational services units in the current year.

The bill does not reduce or alter the amount of state aid provided to the learning community, but it will free up to \$216,000 of funds currently authorized for coordinating council per diems to be used for other budgetary purposes of the learning community. Reduced expenditures for per diems will occur on a phased-in basis beginning in 2010-11 due to staggered terms for initial members of a learning community coordinating council.

In January, 2011, when six newly elected members from odd-numbered districts and six newly appointed members from subcouncil districts take office, there will be up to \$72,000 of general funds freed-up to use for other than per diems in FY2010-11. On an annualized basis, in FY2011-12, up to \$144,000 of general funds will be freed-up. In FY2012-13, up to \$180,000 will be freed-up when six newly elected members from even-numbered districts take office. In FY2013-14, on an annualized basis, after all 18 members turnover, up to \$216,000 of general funds will be freed-up to expend for purposes other than per diems.