

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 57th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2644
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Impact:	\$682,550

Research Analysis

HB 2644 prohibits the State Board of Education for charging fees for license or certificate renewals.

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Fiscal Analysis

The last three years have had an average of 13,651 certification renewals each year. At a renewal cost of fifty dollars (\$50.00), the total impact is estimated to be \$682,550 each year. This represents about half of the revenue collected annually by the teacher certification revolving fund. This revenue is used for the salaries/benefits of the 17-19 FTE and operating costs necessary for the processing certifications.

It is expected that with this loss in revenue, absent additional appropriations, personnel reductions in this area will be necessary resulting in significantly slower processing times for initial, emergency, alternative certifications and renewals. Currently data is unavailable for lead or master certificates. As such, it is unknown what, if any, fiscal impact there could be to the state budget and appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.