

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 54</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>ENGR</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Pae</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>SDE: \$41,000</b>
	<b>District-level impact: Unknown</b>

**Research Analysis**

SB54 creates the “Purple Star Campus” designation for public school districts, and requires the State Department of Education to give this designation to schools that qualify.

To qualify, a school district or individual school shall:

- Designate a school employee to identify military-connected students and serve as the point of contact at the school for such students and their families;
- Maintain a webpage on the campus website that includes resources for military-connected students and their families;
- Maintain a transition program that assists military-connected students who are new to the school;
- Offer professional development for school employees on issues related to military-connected students.

The measure defines “military-connected student” as a student who is a dependent of a current or former member of:

1. The United States military;
2. The Oklahoma National Guard; or
3. A reserve force of the United States military.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

To implement and administer the program, SDE anticipates that the school district will submit an application to SDE for designation as a purple star campus. SDE staff will review and evaluate the application and make a determination if the school district meets the criteria and qualifies for the designation. SDE believes that it will need a .5 FTE at a program specialist grade to administer the program.

The school districts may also incur cost to meet the requirements stated in the bill including among other things maintaining a website, maintaining a transition program and offering professional development.

Projected personnel cost for SDE (.5 FTE salary plus benefits) - \$41,000

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**Other Considerations**

None.