



Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals

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Principals,

SB313 has passed the Senate and is headed to the House. There is plenty of gamesmanship at work with this bill. The Governor has called legislators to his office and is trying to make deals to get this law to his desk. The fiscal note for the bill began at \$60 million and has been reduced through a sharp pencil, to be much lower. **The House is working to pass this bill before many legislators even fully understand what is in it.** It is taking an unusual path to get through the House. The bill is being sent to the General Laws Committee. It should have been sent to the Elementary and Secondary Education Committee, but it would have faced many challenges in that committee – thus the placement. SB313 has had many amendments attached that will impact funding to all districts. There are five (5) main categories to discuss in the bill: 1) vouchers for special needs students, foster care students and students with parents in active military; 2) transportation hardship; 3) student transfers; 4) mandatory retention; and 5) early childhood phase-in. This bill cost is much worse than the fancy pencil work would lead anyone to believe. _

Please let your local representative know that this bill will hurt your district, either directly or indirectly. It will move very quickly, so send a note or call today! If it could come to a vote by Wednesday night.

Thank you,

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