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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6301

BILL NUMBER: HB 1105

DATE PREPARED: Nov 14, 1998

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Teacher Professional Development.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill would create the Professional Development Grant Fund (the Fund) and Program (the Program), administered by the Department of Education (DOE), to provide annual grants of \$200 for continuing education and other professional development activities for full-time equivalent (FTE) certified staff members of school corporations. It would allow a school corporation to apply for annual grants from the Fund through DOE.

It would require that a school corporation applying for a grant, establish a professional development committee (the Committee) to plan professional development activities funded by the Program. It would require the Committee to survey certified staff members of the school corporation in order to determine professional development needs. It would allow a school within a school corporation to establish such a committee as well.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: For CY 98, approximately 65,138 FTE certified personnel were employed in Indiana's 294 school corporations as teachers (56,125) and as administrative staff (9,013). In accordance with the provisions of this bill, all 65,138 staff could apply for an annual grant through their respective school corporation in FY 2000. If this were the case, and personnel figures were to remain constant, approximately \$13,027,600 would be needed to fully fund the Program in FY 2000.

This bill would make no provisions limiting the number of years that an eligible staff member could apply for a grant. Monies in the Fund at the end of the State Fiscal Year would not revert to the State General Fund. This bill would make no appropriations.

DOE would be required to adopt rules in accordance with the provisions of this bill, and would be required to administer the Fund and the Program.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: School corporations applying for an annual grant in accordance with the provisions of this bill could experience minimal administrative costs in establishing the Committee. Such costs would vary from school corporation to school corporation.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Education.

Local Agencies Affected: School Corporations.

Information Sources: Department of Education, SAS Data Bases.