

# BDR 34-45 SB 176

## EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 20, 2025

Agency Submitting: Office of the State Treasurer

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Fiscal Year 2025-26	Fiscal Year 2026-27	Effect on Future Biennia
Additional Scholarship Awards (Expense)		\$36,758,461	\$34,450,450	\$62,914,697
New IT System (Expense)		\$881,856	\$233,376	\$466,752
Total	0	\$37,640,317	\$34,683,826	\$63,381,449

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The Treasurer's Office ("the Office") has reviewed Senate Bill 176 ("the Bill") and has determined that the Bill would make a number of changes to the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship. In regards to a potential increase in award costs, there is no mechanism to determine how many students eligible for the Scholarship would choose not to utilize the award under the Scholarship's existing structure, but would choose to utilize the award if such changes outlined in the Bill were made. Further, it is not clear whether the students currently attending and not meeting the requirements, but would under the changes of the Bill, would be eligible retroactively for award payments. The Office has estimated the maximum potential impact this Bill would have going forward by utilizing the anticipated total eligible number of students in any given year who could use the Scholarship should they choose.

In regards to administrative expenses, the Office would need a new software system, as the current system does not have the functionality required by the provisions of the Bill. The new system cost is included in the Office's BA1088 budget request for the biennium, as well.

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS

Date Thursday, February 20, 2025

The agency's response appears reasonable.

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