

**Senate Fiscal Summary**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature



**Senate Bill 703**

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<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
<b>Agency:</b>	<b>SDE/OEQA</b>
<b>Senate Author:</b>	<b>Paxton</b>
<b>House Author:</b>	
<b>FY'26 Impact:</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
<b>Full Year Impact:</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>

**Bill Summary and  
Fiscal Analysis:**

This bill modifies language regarding renewal of standard teaching certificates. It allows a micro-credential to satisfy requirements for renewal. It directs SDE, in collaboration with OEQA, to identify micro-credentials that may be used to fulfill the renewal requirements. It allows micro-credentials to be provided by state institutions of higher ed and providers and digital learning platforms approved by SDE.

This estimate assumes that SDE carries the majority of the workload, with OEQA acting in a consultative role rather than directly evaluating every provider. If OEQA were required to conduct full evaluations of all micro-credentials, costs would increase.

Program Coordinator \$25,000  
Stakeholder Communication and Outreach \$2,500  
Quality Assurance and Review \$2,500

Total Estimated Cost to OEQA: \$30,000

Fiscal Impact Provided by OEQA.

The State Department of Education says there is no fiscal impact to the agency.

