

# Senate Fiscal Summary

## 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature



### Senate Bill 374

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<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
<b>Agency:</b>	<b>OEQA</b>
<b>Senate Author:</b>	<b>Mann</b>
<b>House Author:</b>	
<b>FY'26 Impact:</b>	<b>\$807,000</b>
<b>Full Year Impact:</b>	<b>\$807,000</b>

#### Bill Summary and Fiscal Analysis:

This bill places the Accreditation Standards Division of SDE under the authority of the Commission for Education Quality and Accountability from the effective date of the act until March 31, 2027. It also moves responsibility for accrediting public schools in this state from the State Board of Education to the Commission from the effective date of the act until March 31, 2027.

OEQA has never been responsible for school accreditation previously so this will require significant ramp-up efforts for staffing, training, and IT system integration.

Estimated Cost is as follows:

Program Liaison	\$100,000
Legal Counsel	\$175,000
Legal Asst.	\$50,000
Complaint Investigator	\$85,000
Accreditation Training	\$75,000 – one time
IT System Updates	\$125,000 – one time setup
Records Digitization & Transfer from SDE to OEQA	\$30,000
Records and Public Access	
Compliance	\$50,000
Stakeholder Communication	\$75,000
Operational Costs	\$20,000
HR Support for Hiring	\$12,000

AG's office	\$10,000
Total:	\$807,000 FY 26
Estimated Total FY 27	\$750,000 FY 27

Fiscal Impact Provided by OEQA.