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## Addendum to Fiscal Note for H.B. 154

**Version:** In House Primary and Secondary Education

**Fiscal Effect of AM 0346**

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**Amendment summary:** The amendment clarifies a provision in the bill regarding eligibility for the traditional Educational Choice Scholarship Program. The bill maintained a provision in current law that qualifies a student for a scholarship if the student resides in a district that *is* subject to an academic distress commission (ADC). Since the bill dissolves the three existing ADCs, presumably no student in these districts would qualify under this criterion. The amendment clarifies that a student is eligible for an EdChoice scholarship if the student's resident school district *was* subject to the former section of law providing for ADCs.

**Fiscal effect:** This amendment maintains eligibility for students to receive an EdChoice scholarship if they reside in one of the three districts with an existing ADC. As a result, those three school districts may have lower revenues and expenditures under the amendment, as more students in the districts may qualify for scholarships under the traditional Educational Choice Scholarship Program. If a student receives a scholarship, the district does not incur the expense of educating the student and funding is deducted from the district's state aid.