

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 288

Committee: Education Policy Analyst: John Friedenreich Sponsor: Representative Arnold Mooney Date: 02/25/2025

House Bill 288 as introduced would increase the obligations of the existing Alabama Math and Science Teacher Education Program (AMSTEP) by \$7,500 per year for each award made to an athletic trainer through the loan assistance program created by this bill, contingent on the availability of funding.

This bill would also increase the administrative obligations of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education to administer this program.

AMSTEP has a cash balance of approximately \$2.5 million, as of fiscal year 2025. The governor recommended an appropriation of \$746,750 from the Education Trust Fund for fiscal year 2026.